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NO MORE GAMES OF CHANCE.

District Attorney Detweiler, of Harrisburg, calls promoters' attention to the law, in the matter of the various schemes and devices that tend to engender a spirit of gambling, and makes a sweeping ruling in that respect. The notice in accord with the charge of Judge McPherson about eighteen months ago, when he called the attention of a grand jury to nickel-in-the-slot machines, which had spun so merrily all over the state and raked in for their lessors, the nickels of persons who sought to double, treble, or quadruple their investments according to the figures at which the wheel stopped. It is also said to have a direct bearing on the buying or selling of any ticket or coupons in which there is an element of a chance to secure a prize and will affect the bicycle and piano drawing contests, guessing contests, for ponies, gold watches, umbrellas, or pipes and the innumerable list of other schemes when payment for a guess is demanded. In short it covers everything from a lottery to a church fair guessing contest. Mr. Detweiler gave notice that the law in this matter must be observed, or he would institute proceedings in the courts. This will serve as a warning to many in town who had anticipated ridding themselves of their last year's "bike" by this chancing process.

DANIEL LAYCOCK.

We are again called upon to chronicle the sad news of the death of a townsman, Daniel Laycock, which occurred on Monday morning about four o'clock. He had been in very poor health for a long time, but he was up and around tending to business until Saturday, when he had to remain indoors. He grew much worse on Sunday, and died on Monday at the above stated time. His death was caused by some affection of the heart. The deceased was in the fifty-eighth year of his age, and leaves an invalid wife and four children to mourn his death. He has held the office of constable for some years.

The funeral services will be held at the house this afternoon at four o'clock. Interment will be made in Rosemont Cemetery.

The deceased was a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and that organization will attend the funeral in a body.

BIG FIRE AT RUPERT.

About eleven o'clock Friday night of last week, the large barn of Lloyd Paxton, above Rupert was discovered to be enveloped in flames, and the fire had gained such headway, that nothing could possibly be saved, and the barn, together with all the live stock consisting of eleven cows, three horses, twelve pigs, and lot of chickens were burned to a crisp. The farm implements and a considerable amount of corn, oats, hay etc. was also destroyed. There was some insurance, but the loss will be large. The live stock was owned by Mr. Paxton, L. H. Boody and the farmer H. Kreischer. The fire could be seen for miles around. A large number of people visited the place on Sunday, and the scene was indeed one of ruin. How the fire started is a mystery.

Meeting With Success.

Rev. R. N. Harris, pastor of the Mt. Carmel Congregational church is meeting with great success in conducting revival meetings in Bloomsburg. A number of conversions are reported as a result of his work there. He will not return to Mt. Carmel until next week. Rev. C. H. Brandt, of Bloomsburg, will occupy Mr. Harris' pulpit to-morrow. There will be preaching services at 10:30 a. m., and 7 p. m: Primary department of the Sunday School meets at 1:15 p. m., adult school and Bible class at 2:00 p. m. Men's prayer meeting at 9:45 a. m. —*Mt. Carmel Item.*

Harry Robinski and Charles Rebinski, two accomplices of John Schmidt, who are charged with obtaining goods under false pretense, are now being tried at Scranton. John Shoemaker, John Lewis, Frank Cavanee, Charles Fornwald, Thomas Brown, Zach Thomas, Paul Everly, A. H. Bloom, Charles Sharpless, B. F. Sharpless, and Millard McBride are witnesses in the case. They went to Scranton on Monday.

Sunday evening services in the different churches, in town, will, beginning with next Sunday commence at 7:30 instead of 7, as has been the custom during the winter months.

DR SWALLOW GUILTY.

The Jury in the Second Libel Case, Convicts the Editor-Preacher.

The jury in the celebrated suit of John C. Delaney against Dr. S. C. Swallow Saturday found the editor-preacher guilty of the crime of libel.

The proceedings of the final session in the case occupied but a short time, hardly half an hour. The judge opened court at 10 o'clock and Foreman Shepler, of the jury, handed to Prothonotary Melick the sealed envelope containing the verdict. As the official read the single word "guilty," there was a silence in the room, but in its midst the voice of Mr. Scarlet was heard asking that the jury be polled. It was done and each man answered in accordance with the finding as his name was called.

When all had been called Mr. Scarlet moved for a new trial and Judge Simonton allowed him ten days in which to file reasons. The crowd thinned out rapidly as the verdict was read and court soon adjourned.

The case attracted more people to the court house than any tried there in recent years.

Williams' School of Business.

This concern which was conducted by G. W. Williams of Wilkes-Barre for several months, has been closed up for failure to pay rent. Several other people besides his landlord are out of pocket through dealings with him, among them being the Exchange Hotel, Bloomsburg Furniture Co., Electric Light Co., and the newspapers for advertising. When Williams came here he claimed to have six other schools in prosperous condition. Since then he has sold the Shamokin school to another party, also his Wilkes-Barre school. At Mt. Carmel where it is said he disposed of scholarships to the amount of several thousand dollars, the school was recently sold out by the sheriff, and it is reported that the Altoona institution has met with the same fate.

He sold a number of scholarships here for fifty dollars each, guaranteeing a graduating course. In some instances the purchasers paid half down and gave their notes for the balance. Now the school is closed, and the students are getting no instruction, while Williams has their notes, if he has not sold them.

Williams is a very smooth tongued young man, with pleasant manners, and it is hard to tell whether he is the victim of an unfortunate business venture, or a slick swindler.

BISHOP'S VISIT POSTPONED.

Right Rev. N. S. Rulison, Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, some weeks ago made an appointment for a visitation to St. Paul's Church on Wednesday evening of this week. Last week the rector, Rev. D. N. Kirkby, received a letter from him stating that owing to an attack of grippe he would be obliged to cancel his engagements for the present. It is likely that the Bishop will be able to come here after Easter, but if not, another Bishop will probably come at his request. A class of twenty candidates is ready for confirmation.

SURPRISE PARTY.

A surprise party was given George Hughes at his comfortable home on East Third Street on Thursday night. There was noise enough to keep the whole family awake till about ten o'clock, when all were invited to the dining room, where they sat down to a table, fairly groaning under its burden of good things. The fun was kept up till nearly midnight, when all started for their homes. The remembrance of the pleasant evening spent will not be a burden to any that were present.

CENTRALIA STANDS THIRD.

Centralia High School has reached third place in the library contest, and is sure of third prize. It has a big lead over the next lowest, so that it is certain to hold its place. Some hard work will have to be done to win better than third, as the first and second schools have many thousand votes more than Centralia. However, it can be done if all readers of the Philadelphia *Times* in the county will lend a helping hand.

Deforest Hummer has contributed a number of coupons.

Clark Deitrick has secured a position with the Union Traction Company of Philadelphia. He will leave for that city this week. We wish him success.

ROBBED AND ROLLED OFF A TRAIN.

Two Men Nearly Murdered by Ten Desperate Tramps.

The following dated at Shamokin, appeared in the Philadelphia *Record*, on Wednesday:

"J. C. Ludwig and W. H. Rahn, leading young men of Catawissa, were robbed and thrown from a Reading freight train, near Paxinos last night while on their way to this place to attend a dance, having missed the passenger train just ahead of the freight. A gang of ten desperate tramps on the train surrounded them, demanded their money, and, failing to get it peaceably, knocked the pair down with coupling-pins.

Then the robbers got Ludwig and Rahn's gold watches and $30 in cash and rolled the two off the train into a dirt heap, where they were badly hurt."

BASE BALL.

William Watts, of Sunbury, was in town on Tuesday, trying to make arrangements for a league base ball team in town. This same gentleman was here some time ago, for the same purpose. He is of the opinion that he can raise $3000, here on subscription and with this amount he can fix up the Park and run the club all year. Of course it sounds very well, but where is the three thousand coming from? About two years ago there was a subscription paper out, and several fellows subscribed from twenty to twenty-five dollars, and after the club was started the manager called for the money. Did he get it?—Nit. He had their names and their promise but that was all. So if Mr. Watts is building any hopes; on starting a club from promised subscriptions, we would advise him before he gets too deep in the thing, to consult some of the former managers, and hear what encouraging news they have to tell him.

An Industrial School will be opened in the W. C. T. U. room (at the home of Mrs. Agnes Smith, West Third St.) beginning (March 29th) Monday evening. All girls and young women are earnestly invited to come and receive instruction. The room is comfortably heated and lighted; good books, magazines and papers plenty, also an organ for practice for any who may desire. Come girls, I know if you come once, you will come again. Monday Evening, Fancy Work, Tuesday Evening Dressmaking by an experienced dressmaker. Plain sewing will be taught, garments cut and fitted. Other branches will be added later as the arrangements are perfected.

The next attraction at our Opera House will be Fitz and Webster in "A Breezy Time," on Friday April 2, 1897. The adjective that is included in the title of the farce comedy "A Breezy Time" fitly indicates the nature of the production. It has been the purpose of the author to make the performance breezy—simply refreshing enough to revive jaded minds without causing the mind to sit in the draught, so to speak. The company is headed by E. B. Fitz and Kathryn Webster, and includes, besides, half a dozen other performers who have made individual hits in various farce comedy organizations within the last four years.

The store of George Fleuhr, of Ashland was broken into and robbed early Saturday morning. They gained entrance to the building by breaking the pad lock on one of the doors, and succeeded in carrying off three or four barrels of flour, and two or three overcoats. The heavy tread of one of the burglars awakened Mr. Fleuhr, and he got up and immediately started in search of the noise, but before he reached the store, the burglars fled and escaped. There is no clue to the robbers, at present.

Banking Company Distribution.

B. F. Zarr Esq. receiver of the Bloomsburg Banking Company, filed a distribution account on March 29th, by which the depositors will receive 25 per cent of their deposits on first distribution. If no exceptions are filed by next Monday, the account will be confirmed, and the court will order the money to be paid out.

"Nearer the Tomb" an Easter Carol, published by Gomer Thomas, has reached our desk. The Bloomsburg Sunday Schools will be supplied with copies free of charge, by calling at his music store on Main Street.

APRIL MOVINGS.

Read the List and Know Where Your Friends Will Live During the Coming Year.

James McEwen, barber shop from Centre Street to room vacated by Harry Wilson on Market Square.

Harry Wilson, tobacco store, from Market street to front room on same street.

C. C. Marr, from Iron Street to Kramer house on Fourth street.

Edward Row, barber shop, from Central Hotel Building, on Main street, to Gilmore Building on same street.

F. N. Turner, from Fourth street, to his new house on East Fifth street.

Charles Krug, from Third street to his new house on East Third street.

E. Maier, clothing store, from Philips Building Main street, to lower half of room formerly occupied by J. R. Schuyler & Co.

W. H. Henrie, Prothonotary, from Catawissa, to Kramer house on East street.

T. J. Barton, from Wilson house on Main street, to Smith house on same street below Leonard street.

J. W. Lorah, from Main street to West street.

Thomas Metherell from Leonard street to corner Main and Leonard street.

Harry Wilson, from First street to Mrs. Wyncoop house, on Third street.

Alex. Lockard, from Third street to Vanderslice house on Main street.

Benneville Rhodes, from Neal farm, to Hagenbuch house on East street.

Harry McBride, from River Road, to Third street.

Lemuel Drake, from Buck Horn to Plymouth.

James Magee, 1st. from Fifth street to corner of West and Fifth streets.

William Waters, from Center street, to Harter house on Espy Road.

H. G. Sherwood, from corner of Fourth and Center streets, to Third street.

John Kleckner, from Third street, to corner of Catharine and Third street.

Levi Washburn, from Catharine street, to Eighth street.

J. R. Reice, from East street, to West Fifth street.

Rev. G. W. Currin, from Fifth street, to Harrar house, on same street.

Clark Price, from Catharine street, to Kleim house on Fifth street.

James Kleckner, from Third street, to C. W. Miller house, on Fifth street.

Fred Kummer, from Fifth street, to Third street.

William Traub, from Beishline house on East street, to Lockard house, on same street.

John Beishline, from Mt. Pleasant, to his own house on East street.

Michael Contoniski, from Espy Road, to Leonard street.

J. G. Wells, from Fifth street, to Magee house on Fourth street.

H. F. Kelchner, from Exchange Hotel, Benton, to Bloomsburg.

J. Feather, from Market street, to half of double house formerly owned by Magee on Fourth street.

George Runyon, from Brower addition, to house owned by the Jones estate back of East Third street.

Robert Morris, from the Brobst house on Main street, to the Wilson property on same street.

I. G. Deitrick, from Bloomsburg to Philadelphia.

Edward Distlehurst, from Fourth street, to Catharine street.

Christopher Galleghen, from East Third street, to double house owned by W. A. Hartzell on East street.

William Deitmiller, from West Eighth street, to East Eighth street.

Robert Hartman, moved two doors above his former residence to his new house on Eighth street.

H. M. Jury, to corner Catharine and Eighth street.

Frank Boice, from corner Catharine and Seventh street, to corner Catharine and Eighth street.

James Reeser, from Eighth street, to Espy road.

Norman Fowler, from Espy, to corner Catharine and Seventh street.

Wesley Baker, from near Espy, to corner Seventh and Catharine streets.

Samuel G. Fausey, from near Washingtonville, to Canby.

David L. Gruber, from Stillwater, to P. A. Evans' farm near Rupert.

Jacob Hartzell, of Mainville, will move to Bloomsburg.

H. J. Carr, from Orangeville, to H. G. Supplee farm in Madison township.

William Mushler, from Catharine street, to Fourth street.

James Berry, from corner of East and Fifth street, to Catharine street.

Jacob Aul, from Espy, to Freas farm, at Mifflinville.

R. R. John Esq., from across the river, to Samuel Shaffer house on Iron street.

Jacob Eyerly, from Freas house near M. E. Church to Fifth and Railroad.

GIDDING'S GIDDING'S.

Saturday will be Special Bargain Day.

Tempting Spring Merchandise.

Doubly Tempting Prices.

The Store is alive with beautiful goods Make it doubly interesting by your presence. We are going to give you the greatest temptations you have seen in many days. The Father, the Son, the Youngster all share alike. We'll dress you well—mighty well—at very little cost. The Spring Stock is away ahead of the best we've sold. Thought we never could compete with last year's goods. We've done it. Come and see the results.

Splendid spring overcoats, $5.00.

Excellent spring overcoats, $7.50.

Top notch spring overcoats, $10.00.

Extra swell spring overcoats, $12.00.

The Best Suits we've ever sold for $ 5.00.
The Best Suits we've ever sold for 7.50.
The Best Suits we've ever sold for 10.00.
The Best Suits we've ever sold for 12.00.

The cutest little fellows' suits in Reefer, Middy, Eaton, Fauntleroy and Blouse at 1.25, 1.48, 1.75, 2.50, 3.50, and $5.00.

Beautiful children's Tams, Red with Gold Trimmings, Red with Black Trimmings, Blue with Black or Gold Trimmings, Brown with Gold Trimmings, 25 and 50cts.

Men's Hats, Extra Values, 98c for Derbys or Fedoras of $1.50 grade in all colors.

Children's waists, the "Mother's Friend," plain or blouse sewed like home made, 25c, 50c, 75c, and $1.00. Trimmed beautifully. The best and biggest values we've ever been able to offer you.

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ABSOLUTELY GUARANTEED to cure any case of constipation. Cascarets are the Ideal Laxative. never grip or gripe, but cause easy natural results. Sample and booklet free. Ad. STERLING REMEDY CO., Chicago, Montreal, Can., or New York. 917.

MISS AMELIA D. WEBB.

Information was received here on Tuesday that Miss Amelia D. Webb died at the home of her niece, Miss Mary Brown, at Danville, on that afternoon at 4 o'clock. She had been ill for a long time, and the end was not unexpected. Miss Webb was born in Connecticut, and the family moved to Bloomsburg when she was quite young. She taught school here for some years, and later opened a book store which she conducted for a long time. For a number of years past she has resided with her sister, Mrs. Price, at Pottsville, until the latter's death, when she went to Danville.

In her girlhood she united with the Episcopal church, and was always an earnest, true, devoted, consistent christian woman, interested in the work of the church, and all that pertained to it. She was for a long time the teacher of the girl's Bible class in the Sunday School, and through her efforts and those of her class the font in the church was procured, as well as many other things for church use and decoration.

Miss Webb was the last of her family, her sisters Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Brown, and Mrs. Price having all preceded her to the great beyond. Her age was about 75 years.

The remains will be brought here on Friday on the 2:36 train, and the burial will take place in Rosemont.

Court Proceedings.

An adjourned argument court was held on Monday by President Judge Ikeler.

License of I. N. Dirk in Pine transferred to Wm. C. Wall.

In re-estate of Mary Snyder, deceased. Exceptions on the part of the estate of Mary Snyder, deceased, to auditor's report of March 17, '97.

Estates of W. A. J. and Mary A. Brittain. Exceptions to accounts. L. E. Waller appointed auditor on exceptions.

B. F. Zarr, Receiver of Bloomsburg Banking Co., is authorized to lease the room now used by said Co., as per petition presented.

Appeal of ex-County Commissioners from report of County Auditors filed and bond and sureties approved.

Petition for county bridge in Madison twp. over Spruce run, near residence of Jas. Patten, filed.

Estate of Charles E. Benscotter, late of Benton, petition for discharge of administrator.

C. W. Hess et. al. vs. The Bloomsburg & Sullivan R. R. Co. Argument as to payment of record costs including civil engineer bill for surveying, &c.

Estate of Samuel Coleman. Argument on exceptions to report of Auditor.

Ira. R. McHenry and B. E. Long appointed appraisers in estate of Geo. Cole, deceased.

Bond of Artley Lemons guardian of Allen Lemons, minor grandchild of Silas W. McHenry approved.

Adjourned to Monday, April 5th.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

Ten years after the United States of America came into existence, the Congressional library had its beginning. Congress was about to move from Philadelphia. The seat of government was to be transferred on two sloops to the District of Columbia. There was a fine collection of town lots but not much else in Washington. So long as they remained in Philadelphia, the Senators and Representatives made use of the Loganian Library. When they came to consider the needs of the new location they appropriated $5,000 to buy books, and ordered a room set apart for them in the Capitol. The grandfather of the present Ambassador Bayard was one of the committee which carried out the provision. Two years later Congress employed a librarian at $2 a day to take care of the books, but stipulated that the pay was for only such time as he was actually at work. The early appropriations for the library were $450 a year. It took fourteen years to get together 3,000 books. Then came the British, under Gen. Ross, entering Washington in 1814. They burned the Capitol and the library went up in flames. The next year Congress made another start by purchasing the 6,700 books of Thomas Jefferson for $23,950. In 1851 the Library of Congress, as it is officially known, had grown to about 50,000 volumes. A fire on Christmas Day destroyed 35,000 books and part of the Capitol. From 20,000 volumes in 1852 the library has reached its present collection of 800,000, and now takes possession of the finest library building in the world, which cost $6,000,000, and was nine years in course of construction.

A public building covering a block of ground and without a dark corner is something novel in architecture. Yet that is what the new library is. Such a result is made possible by 1,800 windows and by an arrangement of courts within the exterior rim of halls. The reading room is in the very centre, but a flood of light pours in on the cloudiest day. It is under the golden dome. It is an eight-sided room, with the elevated desk of the librarian in the centre, and all of the apparatus for communicating with assistants around and beneath. The desks for readers are in circles facing the librarian. The distance across this octagonal room is 100 feet. Rotunda is a better description than room, for the ceiling is the vaulted interior of the dome.

Opening into the rotunda on the eight sides are alcoves, where encyclopaedias, books of reference, dictionaries, and works for which there are almost continuous use will be kept. These alcoves are on the level of the floor. Readers will be allowed to go into them and consult such books as they may need. Sitting on his high perch in the centre of the rotunda, the librarian or his immediate representative occupies a position much like the lookout's in a modern penitentiary. He not only has every occupant of the reading room under his eyes, but he can see in every one of the alcoves, which are open to the public. These reference alcoves will be the only parts of the library containing books to which readers will have direct access.

From the eight corners of the rotunda, between the pairs of alcoves, rise the massive marble columns which support the golden dome. They are of deeper and richer colored marble than that which forms the walls. Forty feet above the floor a spacious gallery encircles the rotunda. From this visitors who come on sightseeing bent will look down upon the practical operation of the library. Only those persons who wish to read or to consult books will make use of the main floor of the rotunda. All others must go to the gallery. In this way the librarian expects to make the reading room a place for study without interruption, although he will have from 250 to 300 readers under his supervision when the room is full. On the edge of the gallery are perched sixteen bronze figures. On one side of the rotunda, almost on a level with the gallery, is a marble clock, six feet across the face. From the vantage of the gallery the visitor will gain a comprehensive idea of the workings of the library. Looking down, he will see the applicant for a book come into the rotunda by way of a curtained aisle, and make known his request on a slip of paper at the great central desk. He will follow the movement of the attendant to a telephone so nicely adjusted that a whisper will convey the order. Turning about and looking through the heavy plate glass into the book stack, he will find the attendants on one of the nine floors receiving the messages at the other end of the telephone. He will see the attendant go to one of the book cells, take down the volume wanted, and drop it in a little iron box on the endless chain. Returning his attention to the centre of the rotunda, the visitor will presently have the satisfaction of observing the box come up from beneath the floor in the rear of the librarian's desk, and deposit the book there for the intending reader.

Between the utilities and the artistic magnificence of the scene the visitor may well be lost in admiration. Below will be the busy scene of the library in use. Around above are the richly tinted marble columns and walls extending upward to the interior of the dome.

"The book capacity of the parts of the library finished off," said Mr. Spofford, "is about 1,800,000 volumes. If all of the space of each floor not at present used was to be fitted up for the storage of books, the building would hold 4,500,000 books. Moreover, posterity may build book stacks in the spacious courts to contain 2,000,000 more without any violence to the uses or architectural symmetry of the present edifice." SENATOR.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The President has found a refuge from the office-seekers, but it is only available on Sunday. They will follow him to the church door, but not inside.

A prominent citizen of Boston reports that he went to the inauguration and did not see a single intoxicated person during all the time he was in Washington. But, to speak Bostonese, the absence of such vision may be due to position, condition, omission or indisposition.

It is evident that strong pressure will be brought to bear upon President McKinley to alter the rules governing the classified civil service so as to throw open to the spoils-seekers certain offices brought within the provisions of the merit system during the term of President Cleveland.

Important movements are in progress in New York and Chicago for the regulation of the height of buildings. An ordinance has been passed by the Chicago Council, and now awaits the Mayor's action, limiting the height of buildings in that city to 90 feet. The limit under the present ordinance is 155 feet.

Yellow journalism is having rather a hard run at present, being thrown out of clubs and libraries right and left, with scant ceremony or politeness, in fact, with none at all. The directors of these institutions unite with an immense and growing number of other people in considering its conduct as contrary to morals and public policy. It is apparent that it must mend its ways or its swaggering rhetoricians will soon be barking to empty benches.

So seldom does a man live up to his ideal, or a commonwealth to its moral professions, that the congratulations of the country are due to the State of Nevada. Consistency has there set up its center of gravity, anchored to the utmost limit of public debasement. Having legalized prize fighting and thus defied the public sentiment and the laws of every other state on this subject, Nevada proposes now by additional legislation to confer a most flattering testimonial of its regard upon the successful brute in the Corbett-Fitzsimmons combat.

Secretary Sherman, it is reported, has been laying down the law about American rights in Cuba in a style that chagrins Minister De Lome. He is said to have told the Spanish Minister that Americans arrested in Cuba must have a fair trial, according to the terms of our treaty with Spain, and that Spain must abandon the distinction she now makes between American and English suspects, whereupon De Lome is reported to have said that he might as well go home. His home government censures him for yielding too much to the American demands, and the American Administration demands still more.

According to the statement of Professor Felix Adler, Miss Frances Willard wants to vote "for the sake of promoting the nationalization of business, the abolition of representative government, the enactment of prohibitory laws and the free coinage of silver," a declaration of principles calculated to invite the union of persons who in general are in violent opposition to each other. If she were endowed with the ballot and empowered to work up a crusade on the lines indicated, she would soon find herself at the head of a political sect more curious than useful, pulling all ways, like a newly-yoked pair of Accomack steers.

"Each season," the old hymn tells us, "hath its own disease." But one of the worst complaints of which the modern social and industrial organization is a victim is common, in one form or another, to all seasons. Bad roads are a perpetual evil. At some times they are worse than at other times, but they are always bad. And the curious feature of the case is that those who are neglectfully or wilfully responsible for their badness use them and have to use them when they are at their worst, while those others, out of foolish and injurious spite against whom the responsible people persist in maintaining the badness of the roads, have to use them for only a short time when they are in the least bad state.

Alabama displayed wisdom in exempting from taxation for ten years any new cotton factories established within her borders, and the first fruits of it are apparent in the preparations for the institution there of a million dollar plant by Eastern capitalists who have recently paid the state a visit to look over the ground and lay out their plan of action. The intention is to make finer fabrics than have hitherto been made in the South, which is an important industrial departure for that section, promising to help toward the solution of some of its most difficult economic and social problems. Alabama legislation, so hospitable to capital, stands in rather marked contrast with our own, which in many cases seems devised with the intention of driving it away.

LONDON'S B R MAIDS.

The Business of Husband-Hunting Carried on With That of Serving Drinks.

Under the title, "Feminine Types in London," Jesse Francis Sheppard gives in the Nouvelle Revue an account of the London bar maids.

"They are recruited," he says, "among the burgeoisie as well as among the lower classes. Some of the most interesting types can be found in the bars or public houses of the West End, close to the fashionable theatres. Among them are very many perfectly respectable girls, who have chosen the career of a bar maid in order to make a living, and, especially if they are pretty, to get a chance to catch a rich husband.

"A public house, situated at the angle of one of the principal thoroughfares, is both a gilded palace and a mine of gold. It exercises a strange fascination upon the poor country bumpkins who have just enough to pay for a drink; but the dude coming out of a theatre, the country greenhorn, the fashionable snob, and the frequenter of the music halls are always to be found there. It is among these that the bar maids hunt for a husband. If there is one class of London society more stupid than another it is that one which includes the frequenters of the public houses. With a pipe in his mouth and a glass of beer or whiskey in front of him, the young Englishman, dressed in fashionable style, with a slight and elegant figure and regular features, remains standing for more than an hour paying pretty little compliments to one or several of these ladies.

"The barmaid judges her customers by the cut of their clothes. If you want to attract her attention you must present yourself with a silk hat and a handsome cane in your hand, and a suit cut in the latest fashion. The high hat is de rigueur. Without that there is no possible chance of success.

"It was not without difficulty that I managed to get an interview with one of these young ladies, whose intelligence was equal to her beauty. At first I was astonished at finding so much intelligence in an English girl; but I learned that she was Irish, and that explained the mystery. Her father was dead and her mother was left without resources. So she was determined to come to London and look for a husband, by posing behind a bar in Piccadilly.

"'I was hardly more than three days here,' she said with an amiable and roguish air, 'when I understood why it was that so many pretty English girls don't get husbands. When they are beautiful they are generally stupid. When they are intelligent they are cold masculine, and ugly. Englishmen travel a great deal and meet in their ramblings through the world very many sprightly women, and they do not care for pretty girls who don't know how to chat with them.'

"'But in this mixture that come here to drink and chat,' I said, 'how do you distinguish the men of the world from the others?'

"'I recognize them by three things,' she said boldly; 'by their figure, by their clothes, and by their complexion. For the most part they are tall and thin, dressed in the latest fashion, and have a complexion more or less bronzed. This last trait is the surest sign.' Seeing that I looked astonished, she added: 'Nothing can be more simple. An English gentleman, if he has a fortune, passes three-fourths of his time hunting and in other open-air exercises. The chaps who remain always in London have a paler and more delicate complexion, and, moreover, the expression of their faces is quite different from that of the others.'

"Noticing with what attention I was listening to her, she continued: 'The gentleman that I refer to have nothing elegant about them except their clothes, for their conversation lacks novelty. How can a man who understands nothing but hunting and cricket interest an intelligent woman? The conversation that goes on here in the name of wit makes me tired, but these gentlemen are the easiest of all to deceive. They are great big children in everything except sport and politics.'

"'But you are always engaged,' I said, 'and it is difficult to get an opportunity to chat with you. You must already had several offers of marriage?'

"'I have been only one month here, and I have already had three. Two were from very rich sportsmen; but riches alone won't do for me. What I am after,' she added laughing, 'is a title. You know I must have a title.'

"At this moment the play in one of the neighboring theatres was over, and the public house was invaded by a crowd of men, more or less stylish. The beautiful Irish girl kept herself somewhat aloof, and only served customers that had the appearance of gentlemen.

"Well, I left London. A few months afterward on returning there I wanted to see once more my beautiful Irish barmaid. She was gone. Another lady was in her place, and she told me that Miss Clara had left to marry the second son of a prominent nobleman."

Monkeys as Miners.

According to the Revue Scientifique, a French mine owner in the Transvaal has some monkeys infected with the thirst for gold. It happened in this way: The mine owner had originally two little monkeys which were in the habit of accompanying their master in his visits to the mines. They saw the workmen gathering the ore, and soon learned to imitate them and to distinguish traces of the precious metal. They thus became of use to their employer, who procured twenty-four others, which, having been initiated into the mysteries of mining by the two first pioneers, soon became so expert as to fill the places of five or six men. The monkeys are extremely honest, says the veracious correspondent of the Revue, for they have not yet been perverted by their human fellow-workers, and never try to appropriate nuggets.

Artificial Ears.

The making of artificial ears seems to have reached scientific perfection within the last decade. Made of a specially prepared rubber, flesh-colored in the rough, they are painted by hand in exact imitation of the remaining ear of the unfortunate customer, and as carefully "touched" and marked over as an artist's picture. The maker gets a hundred dollars apiece for them.

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From the Chronicle, Chicago, Ill.

Mr. William Clement, of Freeport, Illinois, is a well-known commercial traveler, and represents the large Chicago house of Reed, Welsh & Lange. In his early life Mr. Clement migrated to the breezy west and became a cowboy in Colorado. After doing as much at cow punching as he desired, he turned his attention to mining, the exposure from which and his life on the plains undermined a once strong constitution, and rheumatism, liver and kidney trouble and dropsy made their unwelcome appearance.

The Hot Springs of Arkansas were visited in the hope of relief, but he was disappointed, and so he took up his residence in Illinois, and obtained employment as a drummer for a large house in Chicago that has long since gone out of business. Physicians were consulted both at home and while on the road, with only pecuniary benefit to the doctors, for Mr. Clement grew worse instead of better, and constantly had to lay up for weeks at a time.

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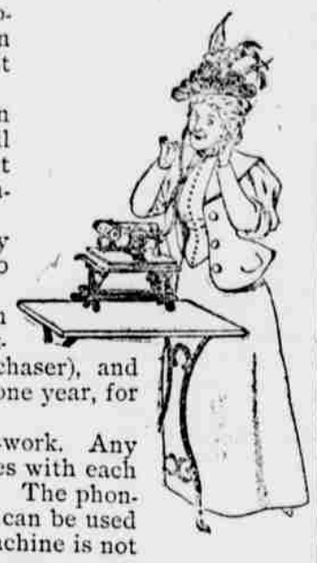

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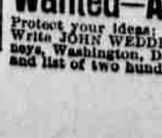

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WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, March 26, 1897.

The McKinley tariff bill number two got some very hard knocks in the House this week, and the outside pressure was so heavy that Mr. Dingley was compelled to announce that the Ways and Means committee had decided to strike out that clause of the bill placing a duty on books and scientific instruments for educational institutions and add an amendment putting those articles on the free list, as they are at present. The democrats of the House made the most of the almost numberless unjust and uncalled for discriminations made by the bill in favor of the few against the many, but the speech made by Representative McMillin naturally received the most attention, both from the opponents and friends of the bill, because of his position as the ranking democrat of the Ways and Means committee, and because on account of his long experience in tariff matters he had been requested by Representative Bailey to make the leading speech against the bill. In replying to Representative Dingley's statement that the increased burden of taxation imposed by the bill was on luxuries, Mr. McMillin said: "The claim that the increased burden is on luxuries is not sustained by the facts. Are coarse shawls and knit goods luxuries? Are wool hats and overcoats luxuries? Are knives and forks in this urbane age luxuries? And I beg with all deference to ask whether in the State of Maine a clean shirt has become such a rarity that it is classed with the luxuries? I ask him when, among Americans, the sugar that sweetens tea and coffee became a luxury—when trace chains became a luxury to farmers? Sir, not only is the bill itself higher, but the different schedules average above those of the McKinley bill." Mr. McMillin also called attention to the fact that foreign governments are already preparing to resist this new assault upon commerce. He also reminded the republicans that a purchased verdict, such as they obtained last November, would not be allowed to stand.

Senators and Representatives have had an excellent opportunity to observe the sublime cheek and impudence of the individual who bobbed up in the late campaign as "Cousin Osborne," and who has secured the position of Consul General to London, one of the best paying positions at the disposal of his cousin, Mr. McKinley. It seems that in seeking and obtaining this position "Cousin Osborne" had overlooked an order of Secretary Olney, issued last October, regulating consular fees, which has resulted in reducing the income of Consul General to London from $30,000 to $40,000 a year to about $12,000. When "Cousin Osborne" found this out he was indignant, although there are people who say that the reduced income of the office is about six or seven times as much as he has ever been able to earn in private life. Be that as it may, "Cousin Osborne" applied to Mr. McKinley to have that order of Secretary Olney's set aside and the old scale of consular fees resumed, but Mr. McKinley feared the scandal that would follow such action on his part, and said he would not do it unless Congress directed it to be done. This week "Cousin Osborne" has been personally canvassing Senators and Representatives to get their support for what would be practically making him a present of something like $25,000 a year. He hasn't received much encouragement.

Whether the administration will make any use of the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court sustaining the Sherman anti-trust law and including railway pools and agreements within its scope, is a question that many men in Congress are much interested in. It was maintained by Mr. Cleveland's two Attorney Generals—Olney and Harmon—that nothing could be done under the Sherman law because of the decisions of courts against its validity. Now that the highest court has reversed those decisions and declared the law valid, there is an opportunity for this administration to clear itself of the charge of being too friendly to the trusts, by vigorously prosecuting them, if it isn't afraid to do so.

The civil service law which stands between the republicans and the offices, was very viciously attacked by Senator Gallinger and others in the debate which preceded the adoption without a dissenting vote of Senator Allen's resolution for an investigation of the methods pursued by the Civil Service Commission, and the end is not yet. Senator Gorman was the only democrat who took part in the debate and he merely took advantage of the opportunity to good-naturedly nag the republicans a little about their anxiety to get at the offices. If it comes to a direct vote on the repeal of the present civil service law, there are plenty of democrats who will vote "aye," although they know that it would mean the replacing of every democrat in a Federal office by a republican. A bill to repeal has been introduced.

Test For Bicycle Wheels.

An apparatus for testing the durability of bicycle wheels, described in Uhland's Wochenschrift, consists of a frame receiving the bicycling wheels and weights corresponding to the average weight of a rider. The wheel to be tested rests with its tire on a large pulley rotated by machinery, and the pulley has on its rim a series of projections of various widths and heights. The wheel then strikes the projections, and is subjected to the same strain as when striking obstacles on the road. The test is continued for about 12 hours, the pulley being rotated at such a rate of speed as to give the wheel a number of revolutions corresponding to a travel of about 170 miles.

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JOYS OF AN EDITOR.

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If we don't all hands say we are a great hog.

If we omit jokes, they say we are nothing but fossils.

If we go out, they say we don't attend to our business.

Editing a paper is a pleasant business—if you like it.

If it contains much political matter, people won't have it.

If the type is large, it don't contain much reading matter.

If we have a few jokes, folks say we are nothing but rattleheads.

If we publish telegraphic reports, folks say they are nothing but lies.

If we give a complimentary notice, we are censured for being partial.

If we publish original matter, they abuse us for not giving selections.

If we omit them, we have no enterprise, or suppress them for political effect.

If we insert an article which pleases the ladies, the men become jealous, and vice versa.

If we remain in our office attending to our business, folks say we are too proud to mingle with other fellows.

If we give selections, people say we are lazy for not writing more, and giving them what they have not read in some other paper.

We must always be in a hurry, always under a press of business, always "setting up" when others are lying down, and always charitably "distributing" the result of our daily labor.

Our opinions always go to "proof," but seldom into practice. We must publish a paper for $1.25 in advance that costs $3, and wait for pay till a collector has gotten his commission for collecting it.

It is a life of mingled good and ill, trial and triumph, never-ending toil and beginning felicity wherein we work out our allotted time, with the "devil" always at our elbow calling for—"more copy."

We must work harder, more hours in a day, with less recreation, or less sleep and proper pay, than any of our fellow mortals. We must be busy when our neighbors are idle, busier when they sleep and busiest while they are enjoying a good time.

When a person begins to grow thin there is something wrong. The waste is greater than the supply and it is only a question of time when the end must come.

In nine cases out of ten the trouble is with the digestive organs. If you can restore them to a healthy condition you will stop the waste, put on new flesh and cause them to feel better in every way. The food they eat will be digested and appropriated to the needs of the system, and a normal appetite will appear.

Consumption frequently follows a wasting of bodily tissue because nearly all consumptives have indigestion. The Shaker Digestive Cordial will restore the stomach to a healthy condition in a vast majority of cases. Get one of their books from your druggist and learn about this new and valuable remedy.

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NEW YORK LETTER.

It is a long time since the famous Beecher-Tilton scandal case was tried in Brooklyn, and very many of the people who were conspicuous in it have passed away. Mr. Beecher was the first to die, and then Judge Neilson, who tried the case, followed him. Henry C. Bowen's was the last death recorded of the men prominently identified with it, and now Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher is dead. Moses S. Beach, who gave thousands of dollars to defend Mr. Beecher, and Augustus Storrs, who was for thirty years the treasurer of Plymouth Church, died a few years ago, and half a dozen other self-sacrificing friends of the Plymouth pastor have died since Mr. Beecher's death, among them John T. Howard. Both Mr. and Mrs. John Hutchinson, whose names will be linked always with Plymouth Church, are no more. Of Mr. Beecher's three sons, only one has continued to live in Brooklyn. Mrs. Beecher seemed unhappy anywhere else, and she was intensely interested in the church and all that related to it, attending its social meetings regularly, and being always anxiously desirous to be included in all its undertakings. And, be it said to Dr. Abbott's praise, she was, to the last day of her presence there, constantly gratified by the deference and attention paid her by the pastor first, and then by all associated with him in the management of affairs. At first her place was a rather uncomfortable one, for she was jealous of all her rights and privileges as the wife of the former pastor, but Dr. Abbott's affability and sincerely earnest effort to make her happy resulted successfully, and to the end of her days she was the recipient of attentions from the congregation.

Theodore Tilton survives nearly all those against whom he set himself in the dark days of the scandal, but his wife and daughter will outlive him, in all probability, as he is more advanced in years than Mrs. Tilton and is no longer the robust man he was. He is living alone in Paris, doing what newspaper and other writing he can get to do, and seeing but few of the many Americans who are always at the French capital. A few of his former friends—one in particular—visit him yearly, but he is no longer of importance to those of his own generation, and the younger generation has no memory of him. His reputation alone survives. Dr. Charles Hall, who preached Mr. Beecher's funeral sermon, has joined the great majority, and his brother, Edward, and his sister, Mrs. Stowe, are gone. The Rev. Mr. Halliday identified with Mr. Beecher for a quarter of a century, still survives, but is old and feeble. Horace B. Claflin died several years ago. Stephen V. White, who, like Mr. Claflin, gave with lavish hand to Plymouth Church and shared his wealth with Mr. Beecher, is, as he has been for thirty-odd years, a deacon.

A little while before her death, I had a talk with Mrs. Beecher about her early days in the West, where she and her young husband were toiling along on the meagre salary of a preacher

"About fifty years ago," she said, "we lived in Indianapolis. Those were happy days. We went there from Lawrenceburg to escape the chills, but we had chills, for malaria met us there when we arrived, shook us while we remained and went with us when we left. Our house contained only a parlor and a dining room, which was also used for a kitchen. A veranda ran along the front and this my dear husband boarded up and divided into two little bedrooms—each room held a bedstead—that's all. Not a foot of space for washstand or chair, and to make the beds I reached through the windows which opened into the house proper.

"At that time my husband received $400 per year salary, which was an increase of $100 on the salary he received while at Lawrenceburg. This we considered a great increase. I remember how his desk was so placed in our parlor so that he could and did watch me while I worked in the combined dining room and kitchen, and how he would read aloud to me every time he finished writing a page or two of the sermons he prepared. I would often drop my work and sit down beside him while he read his sermons. Then we would talk over his writings, and new thoughts would come.

"I kept boarders, took in sewing, did my own housework, usually with a baby in my arms (ten children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Beecher), yet I would willingly go through those days again if I could. I had my husband always with me. We worked together. He painted the house by the light of a lantern, which I held. Then the world had not claimed a share of my husband, and I was very happy. Of course I was glad of the work my husband was engaged in, but I cared nothing for the honor the world gave him. I loved my husband and always wanted him near me.

"I left Indianapolis to come to Brooklyn with my husband. I traveled East just six weeks before the first railroad was finished, and my husband came East on the first train that left Indianapolis bound East."

CYRUS THORP.

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The forked tongue of the serpent is one of its most striking characteristics. Useless as it may seem, serpents have been observed to lap water with the tongue like a dog.

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Electric light cord adjusters are now made in the shape of a spool with slots in the ends to receive the cord, the slack being wound on the center of the spool, the slots being cut to the center of the spool, so that it hangs perpendicular.

Berwick, Pa., March 1, 1897.—Hood's Sarsaparilla has done wonders for me. I have taken it for dyspepsia and rheumatism and have found great relief. I recommend it to anyone who is troubled with these difficulties, and I believe when given a fair trial it will accomplish a cure. I find it builds me up and gives me strength. Miss Alice M. Moyer, W. 2d. St.

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How the Grizzly Eats Peanuts.

A man who stood in front of the bear pit at the menagerie in Central park was greatly interested in observing just how the big grizzly bear took the peanuts that one of the visitors was handing to him. The bear stood up at an angle of about 45 degrees, hind feet on the floor of the pit, one fore foot resting on the stone ledge in which the bars of the cage are imbedded, the other extended through the bars to take the peanuts. He did not clutch them under his claws and then turn the claws inward upon the ball of his foot, but when he reached out through the bars he spread his claws apart sideways, as one might spread the fingers of his hand apart. The visitor would place a peanut between two of the claws, and then the bear would close the claws together, as one would close the fingers of his outstretched hand. He would hold the peanut between two claws in the same manner that a man sometimes holds a cigar between two fingers. Holding it thus, the bear would carry the peanut to his mouth; then, thrusting his paw out between the bars again, he would open his claw out sideways as before, waiting for another.

"I suppose it must be an acquired taste," said a solemn faced bystander, referring to the bear's apparent fondness for peanuts.

"I don't know," said another man. "I'm not so sure but what there are some places where grizzlies live that peanuts grow."

"That may be," said the solemn faced man, "but I'm sure there's no place where they grow baked."—*New York Sun.*

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BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.

STATIONS.	EAST. A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
NORTHUMBERLAND	6 25	1.50	10 05	5 50
Cameron	6 38	.....	.....	6 03
Chulasky	.....	.....	.....	6 07
Danville	6 50	2 12	10 26	6 13
Catawissa	7 03	2 26	10 39	6 28
Rupert	7 09	2 31	10 44	6 33
Bloomsburg	7 15	2 36	10 49	6 39
Espy	7 23	2 42	....	6 45
Lime Ridge	7 30	2 48	.....	6 52
Willow Grove	7 34	2 52	.....	6 56
Briarcreek	7 38	.....	.....	7 00
Berwick	7 48	3 01	11 12	7 06
Beach Haven	7 54	3 07	11 18	7 12
Hick's Ferry	8 00	3 13	....	7 19
Shickshinny	8 10	3 24	11 33	7 35
Hunlock's	8 20	3 34	....	7 40
Nanticoke	8 27	3 42	11 49	7 54
Avondale	8 32	3 47	.....	7 58
Plymouth	8 37	3 52	11 56	8 03
Plymouth Junction	8 42	3 57	.....	8 07
Kingston	8 50	4 05	12 05	8 12
Bennett	8 53	4 08	.....	8 16
Forty Fort	8 56	4 11	.....	8 19
Wyoming	9 01	4 17	12 16	8 25
West Pittston	9 06	4 22	.....	8 30
Susquehanna Ave	9 10	4 25	12 23	8 33
Pittston	9 15	4 30	12 26	8 39
Duryea	9 19	4 34	.....	8 44
Lackawanna	9 24	4 37	.....	8 48
Taylor	9 32	4 45	12 40	8 57
Bellevue	9 37	4 50	....	9 02
SCRANTON	9 42	4 55	12 48	9 07

STATIONS.	WEST. A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
SCRANTON	6 00	9 55	1 55	6 00
Bellevue	6 05	....	.....	.....
Taylor	6 10	10 04	2 05	6 10
Lackawanna	6 18	10 11	2 13	6 17
Duryea	6 22	10 14	2 16	6 21
Pittston	6 28	10 18	2 20	6 24
Susquehanna Ave	6 32	10 21	2 23	6 28
West Pittston	6 35	10 24	2 27	6 31
Wyoming	6 40	10 29	2 32	6 36
Forty Fort	6 45	....	....	.....
Bennett	6 48	10 36	2 39	6 44
Kingston	6 54	10 39	2 45	6 53
Plymouth Junction	6 59	10 43	2 50	.....
Plymouth	7 04	10 47	2 54	7 00
Avondale	7 09	....	2 58	7 07
Nanticoke	7 14	10 54	3 02	7 12
Hunlock's	7 20	11 00	3 10	7 20
Shickshinny	7 31	11 10	3 24	7 35
Hick's Ferry	7 44	11 23	3 35	7 47
Beach Haven	7 54	11 32	3 42	7 58
Berwick	8 00	11 40	3 49	8 06
Briarcreek	8 06	.....	3 55	.....
Willow Grove	8 10	11 50	3 59	8 11
Lime Ridge	8 14	11 56	4 04	8 1
Espy	8 21	12 04	4 11	8 2
Bloomsburg	8 28	12 12	4 17	8 36
Rupert	8 34	12 18	4 23	8 36
Catawissa	8 40	12 23	4 29	8 41
Danville	8 55	12 37	43	8 58
Caulasky	.....	.....	4 49	.....
Cameron	9 05	12 46	4 54	9 10
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 20	1 00	5 08	9 25
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.

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a m | a. m. | p m | p.m.		a m | p m | p m | a m
7.10 | 11.40 | 6.30 | 2.40	Bloomsbu'g.	8.30 | 2 40 | 6 40 | 6.10
7.08 | 11.35 | 6.26 | 2.3	" P. & E.	8.31 | 2.42 | 6.44 | 6.13
7.03 | 11.32 | 6.24 | 2.35	" Main st..	8.36 | 2.45 | 6.47	
.... | .... | 6.20 | 2.32	..Irondale..	2.47 | 6.50 | 6.25
6.53 | 11.23 | 6.12 | 2.20	Paper Mill.	8 44 | 2.54 | 6.58 | 6.37
6.50 | 11.20 | 6.09 | 2.17	..Light st..	8.47 | 3.00 | 7.02 | 6.50
6.40 | 11.10 | 5.59 | 2.00	Orangeville.	8.56 | 3.10 | 7.10 | 7.10
6.29 | 11.01 | 5.48 | 1.38	.. Forks..	9.06 | 3.20 | 7.20 | 7.35
6.25 | 10.58 | 5.44 | 1.30	..Zaner's..	9.09 | 3.25 | 7.24 | 7.45
6.18 | 10.53 | 5.37 | 1.25	..Stillwater.	9.13 | 3.30 | 7.29 | 8.00
6.08 | 10.43 | 5.27 | 1.10	..Benton..	9223 | 3.40 | 7.39 | 8.40
6.04 | 10 40 | 5 22 | 12.35	..Edson's..	9.26 | 3.45 | 7.44 | 8.50
6.02 | 10 38 | 5.20 | 12.30	Coie's Cr'k.	9.28 | 3.47 | 7.48 | 8.53
5.58 | 10.35 | 5.16 | 12.25	..Sugarloaf..	9.31 | 3.52 | 7.52 | 9.00
5.53 | 10.32 | 5.13 | 12 20	..Laubach..	9.35 | 3.57 | 7.57 | 9.10
5.43 | 10.23 | 5.03 | 12.05	...Central..	9.45 | 4.07 | 8.07 | 9 30
5.40 | 10.20 | 5.00 | 11.50	.Jam. City..	9.50 | 4.10 | 8.10 | 9.40
a m | a m | p m | p m	LEAVE	a m | p m | p m | a m ARRIVE

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	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Scranton(D & H)lv	.....	$ 9 38	$ 2 28	$ 4 41
Pittston "	7 08	f10 00	f 2 50	5 06
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Wilkesbarre...lv	$ 7 30	$10 15	$ 3 15	$ 6 00
Plym'th Ferry "	f 7 38	10 20	f 3 21	f 6 04
Nanticoke..... "	7 46	10 27	3 29	6 15
Mocanaqua..... "	8 04	10 45	3 47	6 35
Wapwallopen.. "	8 13	10 55	3 57	6 46
Nescopeck ... ar	8 24	11 10	4 08	6 58
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	
Pottsville.....lv	$ 6 00	$ 9 05	$ 1 10	.....
Hazleton ..... "	7 10	1 35	3 04	.....
Tomhicken..... "	7 30	1 25	3 22	.....
Fern Glen..... "	7 38	1 34	3 28	.....
Rock Glen..... "	7 43	1 40	f 3 39	.....
Nescopeck..... ar	8 07	.....	08	.....
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	
Nescopeck.....lv	$ 8 24	$11 10	$ 4 08	.....
Creasy..... "	8 33	Via	4 17	.....
Espy Ferry..... "	f 8 43	Rock	f 4 27	.....
E. Bloomsburg"	8 47	Glen	4 32	.....
		P. M.		
Catawissa..... ar	8 55	12 18	4 39	.....
Catawissa.....lv	8 55	12 18	4 59	.....
S. Danville..... "	9 14	12 34	4 57	.....
Sunbury..... "	9 35	12 55	5 10	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Sunbury.....lv	$ 9 45	$ 1 00	$ 5 40	.....
Lewisburg....ar	10 15	1 45	6 10	.....
Milton..... "	10 07	1 29	6 06	.....
Williamsport.. "	11 00	2 20	7 00	.....
Lock Haven... "	12 05	3 32	8 00	.....
Renovo ..... "	P. M.	4 30	9 00	.....
Kane..... "	.....	8 15	.....	.....
	P. M.	P. M.		
Lock Haven...lv	$12 10	$3 45	.....	.....
Bellefonte.....ar	1 05	4 44	.....	.....
Tyrone..... "	2 15	6 00	.....	.....
Philipsburg.... "	4 22	8 26	.....	.....
Clearfield ..... "	5 06	9 09	.....	.....
Pittsburg ..... "	7 00	11 30	.....	.....
	A. M.		P. M.	
Sunbury.....lv	$ 9 55	$ 1 55	$ 5 30	.....
Harrisburg....ar	f11 30	$ 3 20	7 10	.....
	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Philadelphia..ar	3 0	$ 6 23	$11 1?	.....
Baltimore..... "	3 0	f 6 00	f10 40	.....
Washington "	4 0	f 7 15	.....	.....
	A. M.	P. M.		
Sunbury lv	f10 05	$ 2 45	.....	.....
	P. M.			
Lewistown Jc ar	12 05	$ 4 37	.....	.....
Pittsburg..... "	7 00	$11 30	.....	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Harrisburg.....lv	f11 45	f3 50	f 7 30	.....
	P. M.		A. M.	
Pittsburg.....ar	f 7 00	170	f 2 00	.....

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	P. M.	P. M.	A. M
Pittsburg.....lv	$ 7 05	$ 3 10	f 8 00
Harrisburg.....ar	A. M. $ 2 10	A. M. $ 3 30	P. M. f 3 10
		A. M.	A. M
Pittsburg.....lv	.....	.....	f 8 00
			P. M.
Lewistown Jc. "	.....	f 7 30	f 3 1
Sunbury..... ar	.....	f 9 18	f 5 10
	P. M.	A. M.	A. M
Washington....lv	f10 40	.....	f10 50
Baltimore..... "	f11 50	$ 4 55	f12 00
Philadelphia... "	f11 20	$ 4 30	f12 25
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Harrisburg.....lv	$ 3 30	$ 8 05	f 3 55
Sunbury.....ar	$ 5 08	$ 9 38	f 5 35
	P. M.		A. M.
Pittsburg.....lv	$ 1 00	.....	$ 8 00
Clearfield ..... "	4 09	.....	9 31
Philipsburg.... "	4 56	.....	10 14
Tyrone..... "	7 15	.....	12 30
Bellefonte..... "	8 31	.....	1 42
Lock Haven...ar	9 30	.....	2 43
	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.
Erie.....lv	$ 3 25	.....	.....
Kane..... "	7 05	.....	f 6 30
Renovo..... "	10 35	.....	10 25
Lock Haven.... "	11 25	f 7 20	P. M.
	A. M.		12 00
Williamsport.. "	3 25	8 20	4 00
Milton..... "	4 12	9 22	4 56
Lewisburg..... "		9 15	4 47
Sunbury..... ar	4 36	9 50	5 25
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Sunbury.....lv	f 5 25	$ 9 55	f 5 43
S. Danville..... "	5 48	10 17	6 07
Catawissa..... "	6 08	10 35	6 26
E. Bloomsburg"	Via	10 43	6 33
Espy Ferry..... "	Rock	f10 47	f 6 38
Creasy ..... "	Glen.	10 56	6 48
Nescopeck ....ar	8 07	11 10	6 58
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Nescopeck.....lv	.....	f11 10	f 6 58
Rock Glen.....ar	f 6 52	f11 35	7 22
Fern Glen..... "	6 59	11 43	7 27
Tomhicken..... "	7 10	11 54	7 34
		P. M.	
Hazleton ..... "	7 37	12 15	7 56
Pottsville ..... "	8 45	1 20	9 05
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Nescopeck.....lv	f 8 07	f11 10	f 4 08
Wapwallopen.ar	8 18	11 22	4 20
Mocanaqua..... "	8 28	11 32	4 32
Nanticoke ..... "	8 48	11 54	4 53
		P. M.	
Plym'th Ferry "	f 8 56	f12 02	f 5 01
Wilkesbarre.... "	9 05	12 10	5 10
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Pittston(D & H) ar	f 9 41	f12 49	f 5 54
Scranton "	10 10	1 16	6 21

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THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1897.

A bill offered in the House recently for legislative apportionment, gives Columbia county but one member. It may not pass, but it is quite certain that when a new apportionment is made we shall get but one member instead of two, as at present.

The new libel law prepared by the Pennsylvania Editorial Association has been killed in the legislature. The libel law as it stands gives sufficient freedom to the press. The proposed law was intended to enlarge this freedom, and this the legislature properly refused to grant.

It looks now as though the suggestion of the Governor for the erection of a new capitol to cost not more than $550,000 would be adopted by the legislature. This is right. The people are in no humor to be taxed for the building of a palace at a cost of several million dollars.

The proposed Dingley tariff appears to be specially designed to help trusts and monopolies. It takes several dollars from the pockets of the people for every one that it turns into our national treasury. As a whole it confers even greater benefits upon privileged industries than did the McKinley bill itself. This partly because many duties are higher, and partly because the same duties are more prohibitive, now that manufacturers have been compelled by lower duties to improve their machinery and methods to compete with foreign manufacturers. In many cases though increasing the burdens of taxation, it decreases the income from custom duties. The only important increases expected are from sugar and wool—two articles necessary to health and comfort which should not be taxed at all in times of peace, or while it is possible to obtain sufficient revenue from other sources.

FELLOW CITIZENS!

No one man is as wise as the whole community—and no mere political coterie is as wise as the whole party. In the selection of a candidate for office, in spite of our convictions, geography has sometime to go with the question at issue.

The office of Sheriff which touches the citizen more nearly has a wider territory as well as clientage for selection. A different sort of man is needed for the place and the south side of the river will no doubt contest for the nomination. It requires a man of quicker mind and more business ability than the judgeship—a man of tact and of action. He should be a gentleman in dress and in manners and see that his office was open, and his deputy or himself in constant attendance: And with that, that the arrangement of the office precluded outsiders from being more conspicuous than the officer. The arrangement and fixtures of the Sheriff's office, at present, are a disgrace to the County.

There has never been any system about advertising in the Sheriff's office. While a lawyer may control his writ, unless he actually does, he may find that the publicity he requires has not been secured The business men are also interested, and consult their weekly and neighborhood paper for items of interest and current advertisements and public sales. No paper ought to have a monopoly, but it is certain that every advertisement from the Sheriff's office ought to appear in some one of the three Bloomsburg papers. If the lands or subject matter is south of the river send it to Catawissa—if about the east end send it to Berwick—if up the creek, then to Benton—if to the west, then to Millville. That is fair and it is systematic. Thus all interests would be subserved and proper public and local publicity attained. No office is a private affair—it is a public trust and the first thought should be to serve the public with honesty and fidelity. X.

A report was started recently that Mrs. Cleveland had the Dolly Madison silver spoons in the White House melted up and recast into spoons and forks of lighter weight. The story is denied because in the first place the historic silver of Dolly Madison is still at the White House, and in the second place there were no spoons in the set.

Democratic Committee Meeting.

The Democratic County Committee convened in No. 2 Court Room, Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. Chairman William Chrisman called the assemblage to order.

The meeting was called for the purpose of electing a County Chairman and Secretary, and five delegates to the State Convention, and to transact such other business as may come up before them. The calling of the list showed a fairly good representation of committeemen present. Nominations for County Chairman were then in order, whereupon John G. McHenry of Benton, was unanimously elected, there being no opposition. Next came the election of a Secretary, and R. G. F. Kshinka of Briarcreek was made the choice. C. B. Jackson, Christian Small, E. J. Ohl, A. J. Derr and H. P. Hower were elected delegates to the State Convention.

Hon. W. T. Creasy offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that a vote of thanks be tendered our former County Chairman Hon. Wm. Chrisman and efficient Secretary, C. A. Small for their excellent work while holding their respective offices. Elliot Adams, of Berwick, presented this resolution which was also adopted without a dissenting vote.

WHEREAS the vote of the late Presidential election has shown that a great majority of the citizens of Columbia County favor the principles as set forth in the Chicago platform. And,

WHEREAS we hold it to be good sound Democratic doctrine that the majority shall rule and their wishes carried out and respected. Be it therefore

Resolved, that the delegates to the State Convention chosen this day by this committee are hereby instructed to support such candidates for state offices—who have been open and avowed advocates of the Chicago platform and supporters of the candidates nominated at our last national convention. And be it further

Resolved, that it is the sense of this committee that those newspapers which loyally supported the Democratic candidates and platform of last year merit the confidence and support of all loyal Democrats.

A resolution that a committee of five be appointed to revise the rules and report at the next Democratic County Convention was offered by Mr. Creasy.

No further business appearing before the committee, the meeting was adjourned. This meeting was one of the most quiet and orderly ever held by Columbia County Democrats, and the business was transacted with the utmost serenity.

The committee could have made no better selection for County Chairman than it did. The election of Mr. Mc Henry as Chairman is wise, and he is well qualified to fill every requirement of this most important position.

A Job in Contemplation.

Nothing could more strikingly display the complete dependence of our state authorities on the will and wish of Senator M. S. Quay than the spectacle that was presented, the other day, by a delegation of our state lawmakers going to Washington to learn what the Senator wants done in regards to the building of the new state capitol. They report that they had a conference with him on this subject, and it is to be inferred that they propose to act in the matter according to his direction.

To a majority of the citizens of the State it will be a query what Quay has to do with a work of this kind, and what authority he has over it which requires that he should be consulted. The people have their representatives in the Legislature who are expected to provide for the building of that structure in a manner that will give satisfaction, and it is not necessary that it should be done to suit Senator Quay. The people want a creditable building, but they don't want its construction to furnish an opportunity for discreditable jobbery. If the Governor and Legislature do their duty this can be effected without the assistance of M. S. Quay, or any other party boss. Interference from such a source would have a suspicious look.

Up to this time there has been an appearance in the proceedings relative to the new capitol that has not been very assuring to those who want its construction to be an honest job. At the very start there was an attempt to give the contract to favored parties, without competition, and since the detection of the trick by which that was intended to be effected, there is evident manœuvering going on to put the work in charge of a commission something like the one which has made a twenty-four years' job of the Philadelphia city hall, costing over eighteen millions of dollars.

The Governor assumes to be opposed to these schemes. We trust that he is sincere in his opposition, and will use his veto if the corrupt inclinations of the Legislature should induce it to pass a bill that would enable a set of jobbers to plunder the State in the building of its new capitol.—*Ex.*

Tariff Bill Passed.

Vote on Dingley Measuve in the House is Yeas, 205; Nays, 121.

DUTIES IN EFFECT TO-DAY.

The object for which President McKinley called the fifty-fifth Congress to meet in extraordinary session a fortnight ago was accomplished, so far as the House of Representatives was concerned, at 4.30 o'clock, yesterday afternoon, when the vote on the Dingley tariff bill was announced by Speaker Reed—yeas, 205; nays, 121; answering present and not voting, 21.

The affirmative vote was composed of 190 Republicans, five Democrats—Messrs. Broussard, Dovey and Meyer of Louisiana, and Kleberg and Slayden of Texas—and one Populist, Mr. Howard of Alabama.

Mr. Reed, in the Speaker's chair, directed the clerk to call his name just before the announcement of the vote to which he responded aye amid applause. The negative vote comprised 117 Democrats and 4 Populists and fusionists, Messrs. Baker of Illinois; Marshall, Simpson and Todd.

The Consumer Pays the Tax.

In the course of the tariff debate in the House of Representatives Saturday Mr. Jerry Simpson, of Kansas, in discussing the sophistry that the foreigner pays the tariff tax, suggested that the experience of the people would be that the foreigner would object to doing any such thing. In reply, Mr. Payne, of New York, narrated the experience of two farmers, one a resident of his district, the other a resident of Canada, across the river; and he added:

My constituent took 100 tons of hay to Buffalo, and sold it for $1000, which he brought back and put in his home bank. The Canadian farmer also took 100 tons of hay to Buffalo and sold it for $1000. But he had to leave $400 with Uncle Sam as duty (it was under the McKinley law), and he took home with him but $600.

This rejoinder was conclusive enough for the Republican mind to elicit applause; but before the echoes had died out Mr. Terry, of Arkansas, neatly countered with the remark that the fallacy of the gentleman's conclusion was that it failed to take into consideration the effect of that 40 per cent. duty on the market price. Had it not been for that duty the price would have been but $600 for the 100 tons; so that it came back to the Democratic position that the consumer pays the tax.

The shot went home, and the House rang with applause, this time from the Democratic side. Of course, the Protectionists mind never takes thought for the consumer—the consumer is a beast of burden for whom Protectionism has no use except to dump its load of taxes on his back. But, happily, though he can get no hearing before the Ways and Means Committee, he still has alert and able spokesmen in the open House, and they hurled some shots Saturday that made the splinters fly from the Protect onist hulk.—*Record.*

PENNSYLVANIA NEWS ITEMS.

—Scranton has organized two new fire companies.

—Sisters of Mercy will erect a $75,000 hospital at Wilkes-Barre.

—Organized burglars are robbing houses at Ashland, Frackville and Shenandoah.

—Westmoreland County has adopted plans for a $340,000 Court House at Greensburg.

—Young Lorin Nessle was frightfully scalded by falling into a tub of boiling water at Shamokin Monday

—Sixteen horses were killed and a car load of crockery smashed in a "Pennsy" freight wreck near Mount Joy, Monday.

—Hydrophobia caused the death of Philip James, at Pittsburg last week, he having been bitten by a mad dog three weeks ago.

—For alleged fraudulent use of the mails in ordering goods, Max Reese, of Shenandoah, was held under $1,000 bail at Pottsville.

—A $40,000 wreck and considerable delay to traffic on the West Penn railroad, near Salina, were caused by a broken flange on a freight car's wheel.

—The Avondale colliery, into which the Susquehanna river is breaking near Wilkes-Barre, is threatened with destruction, as pumps cannot catch up with the leak.

—Special Officer Bristley, of the Reading Railway, has found that the Chester Valley Railroad wreck of last week was caused by two innocent 8-year-old boys of Bridgeport. Not realizing the seriousness of their act they had turned the switch to a lumber yard, and ruined a freight locomotive and endangered several lives. The lads will not be prosecuted.

—George F. Munce, attorney for James B. Gentry, the actor, who is sentenced to be executed on April 22 for the murder of his sweetheart, Margaret W. Drysdale, an actress, to-day stated that he would go before the state board of pardons at Harrisburg, on April 21, and argue for a commutation to imprisonment for life. The pardon board does not meet until that date.

—John Gibbons, one of the best-known men in Pittston, died at his home Monday evening as a result of cold tea poisoning. Gibbons was in his usual health Sunday. Going home from church he drank some cold tea from a metallic vessel that had been standing since breakfast. At 1:30 he was taken with violent cramps and suffered greatly until death relieved him.

During the afternoon Mr. Gibbons' daughter, Catharine, would not believe that her father had been poisoned by drinking tea, and she drank from the same vessel. Shortly afterward she also was taken seriously ill, but a doctor promptly gave remedies to her and she recovered.

Cascarets stimulate liver, kidneys and bowels. Never sicken, weaken or gripe. 10c.

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Sales proved by the statements of leading druggists everywhere, show that the people have an abiding confidence in Hood's Sarsaparilla. Great

Cures proved by the voluntary statements of thousands of men and women show that Hood's Sarsaparilla actually does possess

Power over disease by purifying, enriching and invigorating the blood, upon which not only health but life itself depends. The great

Success of Hood's Sarsaparilla in curing others warrants you in believing that a faithful use of Hood's Sarsaparilla will cure you if you suffer from any trouble caused by impure blood.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. $1. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

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TROUSERS FROM $5.00.

DON'T GET LEFT.

Rome, they say, was not built in a day. No more, by your leave, is a New Dress. It takes that long sometimes to select one. With all the time which intervenes between now and Easter there will be some foolish virgin caught napping. Don't let it be you. Come and see how inexpensive we can clothe you so as you will be "in it" on Easter day.

Dress Goods.

We hardly have the space here to tell you all about our new and pretty dress goods. They are here in abundance for you, holding out their hands to be taken away. Each one has a particular story to tell of its own loveliness. Come and hear it.

36 in. wide, all wool, Spring Suitings, 23c the yd.
38 in. wide, Jamestown Spring Suitings, will not shrink or spot, 42c a yd.
38 in. all wool, Spring Suitings, for separate skirts, 50c the yd.
38 in. all wool Plaids, Shepherds in all colors, and mixed plaids, 60c. a yd.
44 in. all wool, Novelties, 90c, $1.25. $1.40, $1 50 a yd.

Twenty Days Special Sale of 500 Pair Lace Curtains.

50 pair,	worth 50c,	at 29c.
50 "	" 85c,	at 60c.
25 "	" $1.00,	at 75c.
50 "	" 1.25,	at $1.00.
25 "	" 1.65,	at 1.25.
25 "	" 1.90,	at 1.40.
25 "	" 2.00,	at 1.50.
50 "	" 2.25,	at 1.65.
50 "	" 2.50,	at 1.75.
50 "	" 2.65,	at 2.00.
25 "	" 2.75,	at 2.25.
12 "	" 3 00,	at 2.75.
15 "	" 4.00,	at 3 25.
12 "	" 3 75,	at 3.10.
12 "	" 5.00,	at 4 00.

Curtain Stretchers.

You will want a pair this spring to wash and dry your curtains on. The Star is the best the market affords, and are elegant. Once used, never will do without. $1.50 the pair.

Muslin Underwear.

Why, making it will waste your time when you can buy it here as well made and of as fine material as we can give it to you in, and at such prices. The articles are made just as well as you can make them, and the muslin as good as can be bought. then, well the price is all you can ask.

Shoes.

Did you ever wear a pair of our shoes? Why not try a pair? It will pay you. They are the best shoes for wear and style to be found. Cheaper than you can find anywhere in town. If you once wear a pair you will be a customer of ours always.

Groceries.

Do you know we sell the best Groceries in town? We do, and are proud of it. For quality of goods we are cheaper than anywhere. If you will try us once, you will know what we claim is true.

Cornstarch, guaranteed perfectly pure, equal to any, 5c the lb.
Mackerel, nice fish, 2 for 25c.
In 10lb. kits, No. 1 fish, $1.00.
Country lard, (we sell nothing else) 7c the lb., 4 for 25c.
Prunes, 70—80, others sell 80—90, 5 lbs. for 25c.
Rice, whole grained, 5 lbs. for 25c.
Canned Peas, 10c, 12½c, 14c, 18c and 25c. Our 12½c Peas are equal to any 16c peas in town.
Beans, large Marrowfat, 6c a qt., or 5 qts. for 25c.
Lima Beans, 7c a qt., 4 for 25c.
Rolled Rice, same thing as rolled wheat or rolled oats, in 2lb. packages, 15c a package.

Pursel & Harman,

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Not Mere . . . Foot Covers . . .

but easy, comfortable, stylish shoes.

SHOES THAT ARE CORRECT

That's what up-to-date men want. That's what we sell, and we don't draw heavily on pocket books either. Fitting feet is our specialty, and we assure perfect comfort to every patron. We carry the largest stock of boots, shoes and rubbers in the county, and all new and fresh and bright. Every size, every shape, and prices not too high—nor to low.

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HIRES Rootbeer

is full of good health. Invigorating, appetizing, satisfying. Put some up to-day and have it ready to put down whenever you're thirsty.

Made only by The Charles E. Hires Co., Philadelphia. A package makes 5 gallons. Sold everywhere.

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If you selected your paper from our stock. Fine wall paper is like fine clothes—always noticed and admired. We couple beauty and novelty of design with a quality of paper which is seldom equalled. All we ask is your eyes, our stock will do the rest.

PRICES ARE LOWER THAN EVER.

Room Mouldings to match all papers.

WILLIAM H. SLATE,

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If we have been favored with your patronage during last season, we are grateful for it and thank you again for the anticipated patronage. If you have not been one of our patrons give us a trial and we will guarantee satisfaction in repairs, enameling or new wheels.

Our $85 wheel at $35 is a BARGAIN. Come in and have a look at them.

Bloomsburg Cycle Co.,

4-1-6m. Rear of Post Office

WIDOW'S APPRAISEMENTS.

The following Widow's Appraisements will be presented to the Orphans' Court of Columbia County on the first Monday of May A. D., 1897 and confirmed nisi, and unless exceptions are filed within four days thereafter, will be confirmed absolute.

Estate of E. J. Cole, late of Jackson twp. deceased, Personalty $300.00.
Estate of Mordecai Millard, late of Centre twp. deceased, Personalty $300.00.
Estate of Wesley E. Nuss, late of Mifflin twp. deceased, Personalty $210.80. Realty $89.20.
Estate of James W. Hess, late of Sugarloaf twp. deceased, Personalty $244.00.
Estate of Joseph C. Davis, late of Centre twp. deceased, Personalty $80.00.
Estate of George Cole, late of Benton twp deceased, Personalty, $217.38.

Clerk's Office, W. H. HENRIE,
Bloomsburg, Pa., April 1, 1897. Clerk, O. C.

WANTED.—Active, energetic men to solicit orders for our nursery products. Salary or commission. Address, Sears, Henry & Co., Geneva, N. Y. Est'd 1875.

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ROYAL

BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure.

Celebrated for its great leavening strength and healthfulness. Assures the food against alum and all forms of adulteration common to the cheap brands.
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THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1897.

Entered at the Post Office at Bloomsburg, Pa. as second class matter, March 1, 1888.

BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

M. J. Hennessy, transacted business in Rochester, N. Y., last week.

John Daily, of Wilkes-Barre, was a visitor to town on Saturday.

John Tyson of Norristown, is visiting his uncle, John N. Gordon.

John McDowell of New York City, is visiting friends and relatives here this week.

Miss Bertha Shoemaker is visiting friends at Berwick this week.

Mrs. J. H. Kase and children of Riverside, visited relatives in town this week.

Mrs. Whitmer and three children of Sunbury, are visiting relatives in town.

Charles Whitmire of Ashley, visited friends in Bloomsburg this week.

I. R. Rupert and family of Shickshinny, Sundayed with relatives in town.

Miss Margaret Laubach spent Sunday with friends at Hunlocks Creek.

Mrs. W. A. Evert of East Third Street, is visiting Williamsport friends.

O. D. McHenry of Stillwater, was in town on Thursday.

John F. Derr of Jackson, visited friends in town on Saturday.

Matthew McReynolds, of Quakertown, visited his parents in town over Sunday.

J. S. Woods, is in Lewisburg this week, making sale for a large tract of lumber lands.

Miss Elsie Belfield, of Philadelphia, is visiting her sister Mrs. Samuel Wigfall on Normal Hill.

Mrs. Catharine Kitchen, who has been visiting at Northumberland, for the past six weeks, has returned home.

Bruce Edwards will leave for Philadelphia this week, where he intends entering a school of pharmacy.

Michael J. Reiley of New York City, conducted the men's meeting in the Y. M. C. A. Hall on Sunday.

Mrs. F. E. Kirk of Watsontown, who has been visiting her parents on East Street for some weeks, returned home on Friday.

Samuel Neily and wife of New Jersey, spent Saturday in town, as the guests of Prothonotary W. H. Henrie and wife, on East Street.

Harry Houck, who is employed in the office of Revenue Collector Herring at Scranton, comes down every two or three weeks to spend Sunday with his mother. He is an exemplary young man, and his many friends are always glad to see him.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

The coming of the cucumber brings joy to the doctor's heart.

Early cabbage, strawberry, and lettuce plants at Jos. Garrison's, 5th st. 2t*

A joke is always what you laugh at, not what the other fellow enjoys.

The Harman & Hassert Car Works are working both day and night this week.

BICYCLES.

Wolff-American,	$75 to $100.
Cleveland,	$75 to $100.
Stearns,	$75 to $100.
Envoy,	$60 to $75.
Stormer,	$35 to $50.

Second hand wheels constantly on hand.
Singles and tandem to rent.

Lowest Prices.
Easiest Terms.

W. S. RISHTON,
Agent.
Opposite Post Office.

Don't fail to see the three-legged sailor in "A Breezy Time," at the Opera House to-morrow night.

Mrs. M. A. Watson will have an opening of spring millinery on Friday and Saturday of this week.

While engaged at her household duties last week, Mrs. William Faust, fell off the porch and dislocated her hip.

Subscribers who change their post office address will please notify us, giving both the old and the new address.

One Hundred Doses One Dollar is peculiar to and true only of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It is economy to buy Hood's.

Cards announcing the marriage of Earnest Rice, and Harriet Elizabeth Foulk, of Harrisburg have been sent out. Mr. Rice is a former resident of Bloomsburg, and is well known here.

Jacob Zeisloft, who bought the Robbins mill in Hemlock township from the late P. A. Evans, will put in steam power and make general repairs and improvements.

Steady employment and liberal wages is offered in another column by Sears, Henry & Co., Geneva, N. Y. They are a reliable firm. 4-1-4td.

The hour for preaching services on Sunday evenings in all the churches has been changed from 7:00 to 7:30 o'clock beginning with next Sunday evening April 4th.

Rev. W. G. Ferguson, formerly pastor of the M. E. Church of this town, has been transferred from Harrisburg where he has been for the last two years, to the M. E. Church at Milton.

R. R. Little Esq., has moved his law office from the COLUMBIAN building to the rooms formerly occupied by L. S. Wintersteen Esq. The latter will occupy the rooms vacated by Mr. Little.

The Fernville school closed a very successful six month's term last week. Harry Barton was the teacher, and the directors were so well satisfied with his services, that he has been asked to take charge of the school next year.

An exchange says: "A Mount Carmel dog has been born with six feet and two tails. Here is a critter that ought to express pleasure with as much facility as a man with a six by ten mouth."

Now is the time to plant your spring advertisement. A good harvest will be assured, if you plant in time. If you have anything to sell, you must tell the people about it, and in doing this, the COLUMBIAN can aid you.

Mrs. Charles Stookey, aged nearly thirty-three years died of consumption at her home on Seventh Street Saturday morning. She is survived by a husband and three children. The funeral was held on Tuesday.

We are giving our readers every week a two column letter from Harrisburg, which contains a synopsis of business before the legislature, and other public matters of interest. It is well worth reading.

Owing to ill health, Miss Dickerson will not teach at the Normal during the spring term. Prof. A. L. Coester has been added to the faculty to fill her place. He is a Harvard graduate, and speaks German and French fluently.

The Governor has set apart Friday, April 9th and Friday April 23rd as Arbor days for this state. Three hundred and fifty million trees, are said to have been planted in Pennsylvania, since the adoption of Arbor day, only five years ago.

Hon. James McHenry, an old resident of Cambra, Luzerne County, aged nearly eighty years, died on Monday morning. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, interment in the Christian Church Cemetery at Stillwater.

All the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Bloomsburg Pa. are requested to be present next Sunday morning April 4, at 10:30 o'clock as a matter of special interest and importance will be presented by the pastor, Rev. B. C. Conner.

Extensive coal breakers, operated by the West End Coal Company, at Macanaqua, just across from Shickshinny, were totally destroyed by fire Monday morning, causing an estimated loss of $50,000. The origin is unknown. Two hundred and fifty men are thrown out of employment.

There was a small audience present at the Opera House on Friday night, but all who attended came away well pleased with the evening's entertainment given by the Lafayette Banjo and Glee Clubs. The whole program was creditably rendered, but the vocal selections called forth the most applause.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

What Has Occurred There Since Our Former Report.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Clerk W. H. Henrie, since those published last week.

John Pegg, of Madison township, to Miss Mazie Fry, of the same place.

David Deitz, of Beaver township, to Mrs. Sarah Ann, of Nescopeck.

TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE.

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded in the office of C. B. Ent, register and recorder, during the week.

Geo. C. Herleman and wife to Henry J. Herleman, for land in Jackson township.

Silas McHenry to John V. McHenry, for tract of land in Fishingcreek township.

Heirs of J. D. McHenry, to J. V. McHenry, for land in Fishingcreek township.

Jos. F. McHenry and wife to Atwood B. McHenry, for land in Fishingcreek township.

Hannah Decker, et al. to Jennie E. Spangler, for land in Catawissa.

J. H. Brown, to Hattie E. Brown, for land in Benton township.

Silas Conner, to Mary S. Dewitt, for land in Orangeville.

Angelina Paul Egan, to Anna Maloney, for land in Bloomsburg.

SHERIFF SALES.

The Sheriff sold the following property of the Magee Carpet Works, at the Court House on Saturday.

Electric dynamo, &c., claimed by Central Electric & Foundry Co. of Lewisburg, Pa.

Certain machinery claimed by Peacock and Magee.

Carriage, sled, horses and harness claimed by Leader Co. Limited.

Certain horses and harness and machinery and patterns claimed by James Magee 2d.

Certain machinery claimed by Granger Foundry & Machine Company of Rhode Island.

George M. Kress & Co. claimed to have a mechanic's lien on Tapestry mill for $2821.08.

Sold subject to two mortgages of $50,000 on Ingrain mill. The balance of property was sold subject to mortgage of $100,000.

Ingrain Carpet mill $1.00. C. C. Peacock and Jas. Magee 2d trustees.

Spinning mill $6,672, same party.

Tapestry mill $1,428, same party.

Dye room or color shop $420, same party.

The residents of Irondale are having their share of tramps now days. On Wednesday toward evening three tough looking bums stopped in front of George Welliver's house, at the Water Co's works, they talked together for a few minutes, and two of them walked on past, while the other went to the door and rapped. When the door was opened he stepped in and demanded some money. His appearance and actions frightened Mrs. Welliver, who quietly went to the telephone and ordered a policeman sent out. Officer Kulp promptly responded, and caught the fellow before he had time to get away, and locked him up. The other two escaped.

Retrenchment,—or Ruin?

The day of retrenchment, or the day of ruin, for this Government is awaiting the people of the United States in the not remote future. We shall very soon step from the nineteenth into the twentieth century. We shall carry with us either the germs of dissolution and decay or of life and conserved energy. To avoid the former and secure the latter the American people should begin at once in the household, in the factory, in the counting-room, in the management of great lines of transportation, and in all other incorporations of capital, to practise something of the economy and frugality which characterized our New England ancestors. The cost of local governments must be lessened. Administration of county and city and village affairs must be made more and more business-like and economical. In short, the charges of American citizenship must be cut down.—Hon. J. Sterling Morton, in the April *Forum*.

Examination for Cadets.

Candidates for appointment to the United States Military Academy of West Point are hereby notified that a competitive examination will be held in Shamokin, Pa., on Saturday April 17, 1897, at 10 o'clock. Particulars can be had by communicating with MONROE H. KULP, M. C. 17th District, Shamokin, Pa. 2t.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and billousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Get your job work done at the COLUMBIAN office.

Fifty Years Ago.

President Polk in the White House chair,
While in Lowell was Doctor Ayer;
Both were busy for human weal
One to govern and one to heal.
And, as a president's power of will
Sometimes depends on a liver-pill,
Mr. Polk took Ayer's Pills I trow
For his liver, 50 years ago.

Ayer's Cathartic Pills

were designed to supply a model purgative to people who had so long injured themselves with griping medicines. Being carefully prepared and their ingredients adjusted to the exact necessities of the bowels and liver, their popularity was instantaneous. That this popularity has been maintained is well marked in the medal awarded these pills at the World's Fair 1893.

50 Years of Cures.

J. E. ROYS.

Diamond Buyers.

Size is not everything in buying Diamonds any more than buying other articles so far as fixing values. A stone of a given size may be cheap at $500 or dear at $50. I sell them for just what they are. And you are absolutely certain to get just what you pay for. Being recognized as the largest dealer in precious stones, I take pleasure in impressing upon prospective buyers the fact that I can save them at least 20 per cent., having facilities for buying of jobbers that insures the best possible bargains to purchasers. Be wise, save money and select from the best assortment, newest methods of mounting and assurance of getting just what you buy.

J. E. ROYS,
JEWELER and OPTICIAN.

PERMANENT CERTIFICATES.

The Teachers' Permanent Certificate Committee will hold an examination in the High School building on Saturday, April 3, beginning at 9 A. M. COMMITTEE.

When bilious or costive, eat a Cascaret, candy catharic, cure guaranteed, 10c, 25c.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

All occupants of property in the Town of Bloomsburg are requested by the Board of Health to clean all ashes and other refuse matter from their premises in order that health may not be endangered.

ISAIAH HAGENBUCH,
Health Officer.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I purchased at constable's sale on March 13, 1897 in the township of Mifflin, the personal property of J. M. Mowery, consisting of horses, cows, pigs, farming utensils, household goods, grain in ground, and all other property of said J. M. Mowery on the farm occupied by him, and have leased the same to him. All persons are notified not to interfere with the same under penalty of the law.

R. C. MOWERY,
Hetlerville.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

We now have on sale our lines of Spring Goods in all departments. Prices were never lower for high qualities. Styles are very handsome this season in all lines.

DRESS GOODS.

Our lines of these goods are complete in plain and novelty effects.

French Vigoroux,	58c yd.
Fancy Mixtures,	50c yd.
Silk and Wool Novelties,	65c yd.
Fancy Checks,	25c yd.

DRESS TRIMMINGS.

You will find our line of these right up to date in every way. Almost anything you want in trimmings is here.

LACES AND RUCHINGS.

All the newest effects are ready for you, in Silk laces, Cotton laces, in white, black and cream.

See the 15c cream laces.

The Newest Ruchings from 30c a yd. up to $1.25 a yd. are ready.

SILKS AND VELVETS.

A full line of these goods in all colors.

87½c Silk Velvets at	60c yd.
Fancy Waist Silks at	68c yd.
Black Brocade Silks at	85c yd.

Separate Dress Skirts.

We are showing a full line of these goods. Dressmaker made in newest effects.

A Special Mohair Skirt figured at $2.75.

Plaid all wool skirts at $3.75.

Tailor made suits from $7.00 up.

TABLE LINENS.

Table Linens,	25, 50, 45, 75.
Table Linens,	1.00, 1.25, 145, 1.85.
Napkins,	75, 1 00, 1.25, 1.50, up.
Towels,	15, 21, 25, 30, 50.
"	75, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50.

BLACK DRESS GOODS.

Our line of these goods is second to none in regards style, quality and prices. It will pay you to see them.

60 in. all wool French Serge,	85c.
54 in. Pure Mohair,	65c.
Mohair Brilliants,	20c yd.
45 in. Figured Mohairs,	50c yd.
"Presley's" Soliel,	$1.00 yd.

DRESS LININGS.

This stock is complete with all the newest linings—in Cotton and Silk linings of all kinds. The New Skirt linings are handsome, look like silk and cost little money.

CURTAINS.

Full line of Lace, Chenille and Derby Curtains.

Chenille curtains,	$2.39 pair up.
Lace curtains,	$1.00 " "
Derby curtains,	$3.00 " "
Brass curtain poles, 25c each.	

CORSETS.

Full line of all the leading makes and styles.

American Lady,	$1.00.
Model Form,	$1.00.
R. & G. Corsets, at	$1.00 and up.

See our Special corset at 50c.

Sheets and Pillow Cases.

Why make them when you can buy them made of good muslin at these prices?

Pillow Cases at 10, 14, 15, and 18c.

Sheets at 43, 47, 53, 55, and 60c.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

Well made, cut full. little prices.

Night gowns at $1.00, 75, 49, 44c.

Skirts at 50, 75, 79, 1.00, $1.25.

Corset covers at 10, 12½, 18, 25c and up.

Drawers at 25, 29, 31, 45, and 50c.

For Cash—One Price—The Lowest.

H. J. CLARK & SON

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

MARKET SQUARE DRY GOODS HOUSE.

There is nothing that sells better in our Stock to-day than Spring Dress Goods and Silk Patterns for Shirt Waists.

DRESS GOODS IN
Single patterns, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and $10.

DRESS GOODS IN
Sheppard Plaids, 12½c, 25c and 50c a yd.

DRESS GOODS IN
Plain, fancy plaids, and rough material, 12½c, 15c, 19c, 25c, 32c, 39c, 42c, 50c, up to $1.50 per yd.

DRESS GOODS IN
Blacks, 25c, 39c, 50c, 75c, 1 00, 1.25, to $1.50.

300 wrappers from 69c, 98c, 1.25 to $2.50.

Black skirts from $1.45 to $7.50, well made and of good material.

Ladies' suits from 6.50 to $12.50, new for our stock.

Ladies' capes and jackets for Spring from 1.50 to $12.50.

Children's jackets from 75c to $7.50.

Our Ladies' and Children's Muslin Underwear are shown on tables, and have given us good sales. We invite the ladies to examine make, quality and price.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

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THE BICYCLE LEG.

Wheeling is Not Conducive to Graceful Dancing and is Commended by Some.

Expert wheelwomen as well as beginners are burnishing their wheels preparatory for the summer. The bicycle dealers are as busy as bees in honey-making time, and, although they do not expect to do such a vast business as they did last year, they expect the trade to increase from this time on. These are merely straws showing that the bicycle season is on.

The wheelwomen seem delighted to turn once more to their favorite pastime. For two weeks little knots of them have gathered and discussed wheels and wheeling. A rest seems to have whetted their appetites for bicycle talks as well as runs.

"Bicycling beats dancing, and I for one am glad to return to my second love," announced a dainty looking girl in an imported suit.

"Of course it beats dancing; but why do you say second love?" asked a plump brunette.

"Oh, because I danced before I wheeled," she answered.

Count that day lost whose low descending sun
Hath not beheld at least a ten-mile run.

"For my part, I've learned one thing this winter," said an athletic girl in a short skirt and a red sweater. "I've got to give up either dancing or wheeling. It's impossible for me to do both."

"The same here," put in three other girls.

"What on earth has bicycling got to do with dancing?" queried the brunette. "You dance in winter; you wheel in summer. Why they should interfere with one another I can't see. Of course, I didn't learn to ride until last fall, and——"

"That's the very reason you don't understand why we must stop dancing," interrupted the athletic girl. "You see, we've developed the bicycle leg."

"The bicycle leg," repeated the brunette, aghast. "What is it? I've heard of the bicycle face, the bicycle back, the bicycle brain and the bicycle voice, but the bicycle leg is new to me. Tell us about it."

"We've got it," put in three others.

"And you'll get it if you ride much," said the athletic girl with a malicious laugh. "It attacks women riders a great deal oftener than it does wheelmen," she continued, "probably because their muscles are more vulnerable than those of a man. I never rode much until last summer, and didn't notice that my legs had been affected by it at all until the dancing season opened. The muscles of my legs seemed to remain stiff all the evening the first dance I attended, and I was really uneasy, for I thought I'd contracted rheumatism. My legs wouldn't act light, and I couldn't manipulate my feet or make them go. My partners glared at me, and none of them came forward for a second turn, so I pleaded a headache and went home. I was puzzled, but I didn't say anything to anybody, for I'd always had the reputation of being a fine dancer. It was the same thing at the next dance, and the next and the next, and at last it dawned upon me that I had the bicycle leg."

"I had the very same experience," testified another enthusiast. "I, too, used to be considered a pretty good dancer, but since I've been riding a bicycle I'm no longer a desirable partner."

"Why, how does wheeling affect the legs so as to make it impossible to dance?" asked a novice.

"Well, it seems we have two sets of muscles in our legs," explained the athletic girl. "One we use in all kinds of graceful exercise such as dancing and Delsarte movements, and the others are used for work. Pushing the pedals develops these working muscles, and the others are overcome, and when you attempt to do the graceful act you are about as graceful as a cow would be. The preachers who oppose dancing would find a good argument in favor of the wheel as a moral agency right along this line. Dancing is unquestionably a form of dissipation; if bicycling does away with that pastime, it will certainly do more than moralists have ever been able to accomplish, and I believe in time that it will. If wheelwomen find out that they have to give up one or the other, I predict the abandonment of dancing."

"And I predict the abandonment of the wheel," put in a man who came up in time to hear the last remark. "Wheeling is a fad with women. They won't stick to it, especially if it interferes with their dancing. In another twelve months they will have forgotten that they ever rode a bicycle."

A Valuable Man.

"We pay our minister $2,500 a year."
"Ours gets $4,000."
"Has he ever been tried for heresy?"
"No, but he says eyether and nyther."—New York World.

BOUND TO BE SKINNED.

The Reformed Gambler Says Egotism Wrecks Good Men.

"I tell you," declared the reformed gambler, "that there are people in this country who insist upon being swindled. Nine out of ten of the men who are caught know that they are going up against some kind of a bunco game. They have read all about it, but it is the infernal egotism of the average man that leads him into the trap. He knows that others have been caught, but he's too smart for anything of that kind, don't you see.

"I was at a county fair in Iowa exposing the tricks of gamblers. My grafe was in selling a little book that I had on the subject. There was a pretty lively gang there from a back township, and when I showed them how the shell trick was done, one big fellow insisted that he could locate the elusive pea and was bound to bet on the proposition. I told him that I was out of the business, but that he was mistaken. Then they set up a cry that I was a fraud and afraid of my own game. I went over the whole thing again, and showed how they were fooled, but I must give the fellow a chance or they would wreck my whole outfit.

"At last, just to save myself, I let him put up his money, and tendered it back to him after I had won. Then it took three other men to keep him from whipping me because I took him for a squealer. One or two others insisted on having a try at it, and never turned a hair because of their losses. When it came to three-card monte, it was the same. Each of half a dozen men was sure that he could pick the card, and, despite warning, would have a try at it, and some of them two or three times. When they were cleaned out there went up a howl that I was the rankest kind of fraud, and they chased me three miles into the country before it waes dark enough for me to escape."—Detroit Free Press.

OHIO'S NEW SCHOOL SYSNEM.

Graded School Pupils Collected in Coaches for Three Miles in Every Direction.

Ohio's Western Reserve, that home of advanced ideas and institutions, is now advancing an idea that bids fair to supplant the old time district school. It is called the Kingsville system, having originated in that place in the northern part of this country, although it is now spreading with prairie-fire celerity. It gives to every pupil in a township a graded school education, securing it by means of coaches stopping night and morning to collect and return pupils for and from a graded school in the centre of the township. The new plan is proving popular and it is relegating the little stuffy district school-house to the position in American history of the log cabin and the extinct buffalo.

These calls of coaches are operating to both augment attendance and promote punctuality, the pupil being marked tardy if not ready when called for. The education in the teacher service secured by this process of centralization is found to go far towards offsetting the cost of the coach service.

Prof. C. A. Corbin, principal of Kingsville high school, suggested the system five years ago, his successor, Prof. F. E. Morrison, pushed it, and Assemblyman William S. Harris, of this district, procured the needed legislation which is now resulting in its general adoption. Legislative reforms in school government have accompanied this reform.

The Old Chap Himself.

A young recruit, who lately joined a line regiment, was set on sentry-go, and was, of course, new to the business. A good-natured comrade brought him a sandwich from the canteen, and the recruit was about to consume it, when the major appeared.

As the officer was in mufti, the sentry did not recognize him, and did not salute. The major took in the situation, and asked:

"What's that?"

"A sandwich," replied the recruit. "Have a bit?"

"Do you know who I am?" asked the major.

"Don't know you from Adam; perhaps you're the major's coachy."

"No, I'm not."

"His groom, perhaps."

"No; try again."

"Perhaps the old chap himself."

"Right this time," said the major.

"Oh, Lord!" exclaimed the frightened sentry, "Hold the sandwich while I present arms!"—Answers.

Got No Credit for It.

"I haven't any confidence in Hicksworthy. He's a hypocrite."

"What makes you think so?"

"I saw him when he mashed his thumb accidentally with a hammer the other day. All he said was 'ouch!'"

THE UNCONSCIOUS ADVERTISER.

Meekins is by no means an outlaw, but nevertheless there is a price on his head.—Harper's Weekly.

COST OF LIGHTS.

A Comparison of the Relative Cost of Different Artificial Systems.

The director of the electrical company of Cologne has made a comparison of the cost of the different sorts of artificial light reduced to the same standard of illuminating power. As the cost of materials for illuminating varies in different localities he has taken the price of coal gas at 91 cents per 1,000 cubic feet, of alcohol, for use in incandescent lamps, at 30 cents a gallon, and of electricity at 1¾ cents per hectowatt. Supposing the "mantles" of the incandescent gas burners to last 400 hours and to cost 50 cents each, and other apparatus to have the average life, he finds the most expensive ordinary light to be that from incandescent electric lamps, which costs 10 per hour for a given amount of illumination. Next comes the light from ordinary gas burners, with openings in the form of slits, which cost 6 cents for the same illumination. Argand burners are, light for light, about 20 per cent more economical than the other sort. Next to these come incandescent lamps burning alcohol, which give light at half the price of the ordinary gas burner. Ordinary coal oil lamps give light much more cheaply, the cost per unit of illumination being little more than one fifth that of incandescent electric light, but the modern gas lights with incandescent mantles are still more economical, furnishing for 1¾ cents per hour the same amount of illumination as incandescent electric lamps at 10 cents. Electric arc lamps are about 10 per cent more economical still and are the cheapest sources of artificial light at present known to us.—*American Architect.*

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A FEW WEDDING HINTS.

The bride remembers her bridesmaids and the groom his ushers with a souvenir, very often an appropriate pin.

Only maids should wear white; widows are to be dressed in gray or mauve, and a bonnet, too, is considered best form for a widow.

All the expenses of a wedding, except the minister's fee and, in the event of a church wedding, the organist's and sexton's fee for the opening of the church, falls upon the bride's family.

It has become very fashionable to have odd days to be married on, such as Monday or Saturday, an unheard-of-thing a few years ago, when Wednesday or Thursday was the day invariably chosen.

A very pretty fashion is to have loose bunches of the prevailing flower fastened to the top of the pew's end in the church; not every one, but at careless intervals, and the effect is very striking.

The bride-to-be, or some near friend if she can't get through with so many, writes a note of thanks for each gift, the sooner the better, and it is usual to introduce the groom's name in some way and write them in the plural number.

A very pretty idea is the one in vogue for the last few years of having the marriage certificate bound in white kid, with a number of vacant pages appended for each guest to sign his name. It makes a very interesting thing to have and to hand down

Brides no longer wear gloves; their sleeves are quite long and very close, fitting, with a ruffle that falls to the tips of the fingers, and no matter how many or handsome the rings they possess their fingers are ringless ready for "the" ring.—*Chicago Chronicle.*

Female Bicycle Races.

Bicycle races between female contestants is a cheap sport at its very best, and none but men of diseased minds and little or no intellect find it an attraction. Certainly no man of self-respect would attend an event of this sort even as a witness, much less to serve in an official capacity. There is no necessity for wasting valuable space on the people connected with this mongrel game. They are too low in the scale of humanity to deserve attention from anything but the Salvation Army, which organization might profitably use them as horrible examples. They are caricatures on on men and women; nothing more. —*Cycling Gazette.*

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Exciting Kansas.

William Allen White tells a story of a Kansas man who left the state, but soon returned to it because he missed the excitement. "Why, man," said White, "what do you mean? What excitement can there be in living where there isn't a piece of vegetation higher than a sunflower and where human beings are as few as summer showers? "Well, you see, it's like this," he replied. "You put in a crop, and from the moment the seed's in the ground until the last day of harvest it's a gamble whether or not you get a full crop or barely enough to feed a mule. The sustained excitement amounts to what you would get out of a four months' poker game in which you had staked everything. Oh, there's plenty of excitement about it, and I've become so accustomed to the feature of it that I'm lost without it." This farmer was a Greek letter fraternity man, and, ludicrous as it may seem, he unquestionably spoke with the utmost seriousness.—*New York Tribune.*

It may save you time and money to be informed that, when you need a blood-purifier, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the kind most in favor with the medical profession. It is the standard and, as such, the only blood-purifier admitted at the Chicago World's Fair.

Shaving a Lady.

A story is going the rounds concerning "Tom the barber," whose dexterity with the razor is a household word in Bombay.

A lady just arrived from England drove to the hotel in Bombay which had been recommended her and was given a spacious bedroom, which she was told had just been vacated by a military officer who had gone up country. She was very tired and very sleepy, and after dinner she retired at once to rest, with an instruction that she was not to be disturbed in the morning.

Imagine her surprise when, shortly after sunrise, she awoke to find half her face covered with lather and a terocious native holding a razor in close proximity to her throat. She shrieked aloud, and Tom the barber, for it was he, fled.

When the alarm subsided, it transpired that Tom had a contract to shave the departed officer at a certain time every morning, asleep or awake, and that he was unaware of the fact that the bedroom had changed hands. Tom makes it his boast that he can shave a man without arousing him from slumber.—*Scottish Nights.*

Are These Bills Jokes?

Right in line with a whole lot of other fool bills that have been introduced since the thirty-ninth general assembly of Missouri began its session was one by Representative Wamsley of Jackson county. The bill provides that railroad companies shall be prohibited from using wooden rails and tying them with a string.

The penalty attached thereto for a violation of the law is $50,000. Of course it is understood that this was a huge joke, but its introduction was no more nonsensical than that of scores of others which are bobbing up daily. As an example of those that are not introduced as jokes may be mentioned one which was sprung by Representative Spofford, which provides for the creation of a board for inspection of barbers as to their capability.—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

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Lincoln's Hat a Football.

The favorite hat worn by Abraham Lincoln was a tall "stovepipe." It has been described as a foot high, with a brim almost as wide as a southern sombrero. Many anecdotes are connected with that famous tall hat. In it Mr. Lincoln carried many of his valuable papers, the briefs of his law cases and other documents, says the *Youth's Companion.*

On the night of Mr. Lincoln's election to the presidency several ladies who had gathered at the old homestead at Springfield testified their glee by using the hat as a football.

A few of us went to assist Mrs. Lincoln about the supper which was to be given some gentlemen who had come in to hear the returns. It was after midnight before enough had been learned to warrant the belief that our candidate was elected. We went nearly wild with joy and congratulate Mr. Lincoln most heartily.

Some one saw the famous "stovepipe" in the hall, and, seizing it, threw it up to the ceiling. Another caught it, and then it went the rounds till it fell on the floor, when one gave it a kick and then another and another gave it a send off till it was so battered that it had lost all resemblance to its original shape. Mr. Lincoln looked on and smiled good naturedly at the childish performance.

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Love could not be put aside and laughed at reason. They planned to elope, and in telling mutual friends about the plan the girl's mother got an inkling, and as he stole up in the moonlight to carry his prize away the mother lay in waiting with a broomstick and struck him a heavy blow, felling him to the ground. She then publicly whipped the girl.

This severe chastising has not conquered the young lovers, who now look for another day when they will not be foiled.—*St. Louis Republic.*

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THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

AMY BUSBY WEDS EUGENE H. LEWIS, A NEW YORK LAWYER.

The Pretty Actress Has Quit "Secret Service" to Enter Domestic Service—My Friend from India, So Popular Now, Was Often Thrown Down by Managers.

Pretty Amy Busby, who was the leading lady in Gillette's "Secret Service" at the Garrick Theatre, was married at her home in Rochester, to Eugene H. Lewis, a prominent New York lawyer.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. William R. Taylor, at the Brick Church, in the presence of near relatives of the bride.

The announcement of the marriage was a complete surprise to the many friends of the young actress, since Miss Busby recently authorized the statement that she had no intention of marriage to any one.

Mr. Lewis made the statement that the wedding had been hastened somewhat by the unwelcome freedom with which the daily press had endeavored to discuss Miss Busby's affairs.

AMY BUSBY.

My Friend from India is the work of a New York newspaper man, and is one of the best money-making attractions on the road, no less than five companies now playing it. Yet this same play was rejected by every prominent manager in New York. It was offered to the men who assume to set in judgment on things theatrical, and one after another of them pronounced it bad; knowing all about such things, they said it was rot and rubbish, and they would have none of it. Now that their ruling is disapproved, these same mighty minds say the public don't know enough to discriminate, and they cling blindly to the egotistical idea that they know it all. This calls to mind the fact that when John Habberton sent "Helen's Babies" to the publishers it was rejected, and was finally actually thrown into a barrel of waste paper. Somebody fished out the manuscript and became interested, and eventually the most popular book of its time was printed. Then "Jack" Habberton, who had never done a lick of newspaper work, was offered $100 a week by one of the New York papers. Hoyt, the famous farce maker, had a similar experience. He wrote play after play that managers wouldn't even read. Finally he got a hearing, and then he couldn't grind them out fast enough. The men who had assumed the judgment seat would have none of him until he broke into the sacred precincts of the drama in spite of them; then all the things they had scorned became marketable, and he grew prosperous and married Caroline Miskel.

A New York theatre manager has declared war on the theatre hat—not in the old-fashioned method of issuing a pronunciamento on the theatre programme, but by adopting a persuasive method worthy of imitation by his fellow-managers.

A portion of the great lobby of the Harlem Opera House has been set aside as a theatre-hat safe deposit vault. It has been fitted up with tiers of plush-lined boxes, big enough for the reception of the most exaggerated Gainsborough, and fitted with locks to insure safety. The woman patron of the house will hereafter be expected to deposit her hat in one of these boxes, which will then be locked and the key given to the owner of the hat. When the play is over she will not only get back her hat, but will have the assistance of an obliging maid, full-length mirrors, and an unlimited number of free hairpins in getting the hat back in its proper place.

May Irwin says during a recent conversation: "I treat each houseful of people just as I would an individual. I can size up its particular kind in five minutes. Then I play to it accordingly, for I never stick to the same line of work night by night. It is better for the company; they don't get to playing their parts like a lot of ten pins, and then the audience likes it."

The report comes from the West that Francis Wilson has revolted from his allegiance to the theatrical syndicate commonly known as the Hayman & Frohman Syndicate. The syndicate includes managers and controls theatres in various cities, and is formed chiefly for booking purposes. Mr Wilson's booking was done by the syndicate, but he rebelled when he was asked to appear in certain theatres in Baltimore and Washington, while he preferred certain others. He intends it is said, to be independent of the syndicate, even though he will have to keep out of all the theatres which it controls, including some of the principal ones in some of the principal cities.—Rose Fanchon.

ROSE FANCHON.

He—"Why did Miss Oldly take to the violin?"

She—"Because there's a bow goes with it."—Detroit Free Press.

This Tramp not a Scamp.

Breaks the Record for Honesty and Has a Few Deeds to His Credit.

Some singular things do happen in connection with the prevailing distress. Here is an incident that seems quite too good to be true, and yet it is vouched for:

A disreputable appearing tramp called at an up town house one morning last month and humbly begged for a pair of shoes. The lady of the house was won over by this appeal and his dismal looks and hustled up a really good pair of foot coverings.

"There," she said, "Put these on. And now if you want to show your gratitude just happen around here some morning after a snowstorm and clean off our sidewalk."

The tramp grinned and hobbled away with the shoes.

Of course the lady never expected to hear from him again. But early one morning she was awakened by a tremendous scraping in front the house. Hurriedly dressing, she looked out the window. There had been quite a heavy fall of snow, and out on the sidewalk, making the flakes fly was the hero of the shoes. He had a broken shovel and was polishing off the walk in fine style. He caught sight of the lady at the window, and after waving his tattered hat at her went on with his task.

Naturally she expected he would drop around to the back door for a bite of something, but he didn't come. He simply finished his work and went away. Three times since then he has cleaned the walk, and each time has gone without making himself known.

If this meets his eye, he will understand that a square meal awaits him at that back door any time he wants to call for it.—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

Modern Pills.

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The Horse in History.

The first horse tax in England was established in 1784.

Tattersalls, the famous London horse resort, was founded in 1766.

The Newmarket races were founded by James II. in 1667.

The skin of the horse is valuable for both gloves and shoes.

The first English riding academy was founded by William III.

In Christian art the horse symbolizes goodness and generosity.

In the reign of Richard III., the use of post horses began in England.

The famous Flying Childers in 1744 ran four miles under the saddle in 6.48.

Virgil says that the first driver of a four in-hand was Erichthonius.

Close observers declare that the horse really sheds tears when grieved.

The hoofs and catilages of the horse make an excellent quality of glue.

In the Southern districts of China horseshoes are made of cane or bamboo.

Few animals possess the sense of smell in a greater degree than the horse.

The favorite war horse of the Duke of Wellington was named "Copenhagen."

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Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 19, 1896.

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The Needed Study.

The Green Bag tells this story of Judge Wilson of Ohio: "Several lawyers gathered in Judge Wilson's room after adjournment of court and were discussing the retirement of a member of the bar. Among them was one whose practice is worth $25,000 a year. He said: 'I have been practicing several years and am well fixed. I have thought I should like to return and devote my remaining years to studies I have neglected.' 'Study law,' said Judge Wilson."

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Ohio Mayor Expects Now to Marry His Sweetheart.

Politics and romance are creating an atmosphere of intense interest around the mayor of Barberton, O. George Shaw has administered the municipal government in a highly satisfactory manner, it is said, and it is rumored that he will receive the nomination for state representative from Summit county on the Republican ticket.

In addition to this it is whispered that his 20 years' devotion to the sweetheart of his youth is soon to be rewarded by the hand of the woman who for so many years has held the heart of Barberton's mayor true as the needle to the north star.

As a young man George Shaw began to pay attention to a young woman who lived in the neighboring hamlet of Norton. Their engagement was considered settled by their friends, and they were expected to be married at any time. The young woman's mother became an invalid, and the betrothed girl felt she could not leave her. At her mother's death, several years later, she found herself the only comfort of her father, who had been one of the most prominent jurists in Summit county. He was suffering from an incurable spinal disease, which was destroying his mental faculties.

So the wedding was indefinitely postponed, and George Shaw might have had his freedom if he desired it. He was content to wait, and when, eight years ago, death released the woman of his choice from her care of her father it was expected that his fidelity would be rewarded. Fate again intervened. A sister died, leaving two tiny daughters to the care of the woman who had been such a loving, sacrificing daughter, and she felt that her duty to the motherless children would not permit her to marry. The little girls are fairly well grown now, and it is said the long postponed wedding soon will take place. Time has dealt gently with George Shaw and his sweetheart. He is a well preserved, fine looking man, and she is a handsome, graceful woman.—*New York Press.*

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Fi. Fa., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 1897,

at two o'clock p. m., all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the township of Sugarloaf, Columbia county, and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stone on line of Emanuel Dilts and J. M. Larish south seventy one degrees and twenty-five minutes, east thirty-three and eight-tenths perches to a stone, thence by land of A. Laubach along the public road south two degrees and twenty-three minutes, west seventeen and two-tenths perches to a stone, thence by land of John W. Kile, south fifty-five and three-fourths degrees, west thirty perches to a stone, thence by same north fourteen degrees west twenty-one and seven-tenths perches to o stone, thence by same north sixty-four and three-fourth degrees, west five and six-tenths perches to a small white oak, thence by same north ten and one-quarter degrees east twenty-one and eight-tenth perches to the beginning, containing

SIX ACRES

and thirty-eight perches, be the same more or less, whereon is erected a

DWELLING HOUSE

stable and out buildings.

Seized, taken into execution at the suit of Bloom Poor District's use vs. John Kile, and to be sold as the property of John Kile.

Snyder, atty. J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.
3-27-ts.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of William Wright, deceased.

The undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphan's Court of Columbia county to distribute the sum in the hands of the Trustee to the persons entitled to the same, in the matter of the estate of William Wright, deceased, will meet the parties interested for the performance of his duties at his office in the town of Bloomsburg, on Saturday 3rd day of April, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all persons are required to present their claims before such auditor, or be debarred from coming in for a share of the assets or fund.

Mar. 11th, 1897. *CHARLES G. BARKLEY, Auditor.*
3t.

PARTITION NOTICE.

In the matter of the partition of the estate of James Johnson, deceased,

To William Johnson, Jerseytown, Columbia County, Pa.; Richard Johnson, Millville, Columbia County, Pa.; Silas Johnson, Hughesburg, Pa.; John Johnson, Watsontown, Pa.; Jane Johnson intermarried with Jonty Craig, Opps P. O., Lycoming County, Pa.; Alice Johnson intermarried with George Hare, Strawberry Ridge, Pa.; and the following grand-children of Henry Johnson, deceased, who was a son of James Johnson, deceased, viz.: George Johnson, Mooresburg, Pa.; John Johnson, ——; Regina Johnson intermarried with —— Mills, Danville, Pa.

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of an order of Orphans' Court of Columbia County, a writ of partition has issued from said Court to the Sheriff of said County, returnable the first Monday of May, A. D. 1897, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent on Monday, the 12th day of April, A. D. 1897, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 4 P. M., on the premises of James Johnson, deceased, in Madison township, Columbia County, Pa., at which time and place you can attend if you see proper.

SNYDER, Atty. J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.
3-18-it.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Christopher Kuster, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned auditor, appointed to distribute the funds in the hands of the administrator of the estate of Christopher Kuster, deceased, to and among the parties entitled thereto, will sit at his office in Bloomsburg, on Saturday, April 10th, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the performance of the duties of his appointment, when and where all parties having claims against said estate will present them for settlement property authenticated or be forever debarred from coming in for a share of said fund.

H. A. M'KILLIP, Auditor.
3-11-ta.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, Pa. Estate of Benaga Parker, late of said county, deceased.

The undersigned auditor, appointed by said Court to make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of the executor of said estate, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested, for the purposes of his appointment at the office of L. S. Winterstein, Esq., in the town of Bloomsburg, Penna., on Friday, April 16th, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where said parties are required to prove their claims or be debarred from participating in the distribution of said fund.

G. M. QUICK, Auditor.
3-18-4t.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Daniel Mericle late of Hemlock Township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of the said decedent have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay to

THEODORE MERICLE, Administrator. Bloomsburg, Pa.

FREEZE & HARMAN, Atty's. 3-4-6t.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Caleb Barton, late of the town of Bloomsburg, deceased.

The undersigned auditor, appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, will sit at his office in Bloomsburg, on Saturday, April 3rd, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., to distribute balance in the hands of Dr. H. W. McReynolds and Thomas J. Barton, executors, as per first and partial account, when and where all persons having claims against said estate must appear and prove the same or be debarred from coming in on said fund.

GRANT HERRING, Auditor.
3-4-ta.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Mordecai Millard, late of Centre township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Mordecai Millard, late of Centre township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrators, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

E. S. MILLARD, J. E. CREASY, Administrators.
3-4-6t.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Clinton W. Lewis, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned appointed auditor to pass upon exceptions to the account and to make distribution of the funds in the hands of the administrator in the estate of Clinton W. Lewis, deceased, to and among the parties entitled thereto, will sit at his office in Bloomsburg, on Monday, April 5th, 1897, at ten o'clock a. m., for the purpose of his appointment, when and where all persons interested in said estate will appear and present their claims or be forever thereafter debarred from coming in for a share of said funds.

H. A. M'KILLIP, Auditor.
3-11-ta.

RECEIVER'S ACCOUNT.

In the matter of the Receiver of the Bloomsburg Banking Co. | In the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Columbia. In Equity. No. 3, Feb. T., 1897.

Now March 1, 1897, B. F. Zarr, the Receiver appointed by said Court, having this day presented in Court his first account and report as such receiver:—It is ordered that said account and report be filed, and that notice of the filing be given by the Prothonotary for three weeks by advertisement in the COLUMBIAN and the *Republican*; and that a distribution statement be made under the direction of the receiver, showing the *pro rata* application of the balance of moneys shown by said account and report to the creditors of the Bloomsburg Banking Company, which distribution statement shall be filed in the office of the Prothonotary on or before the 29th day of March, 1897; and unless exceptions be filed to said account and report before the first Monday of April, 1897, the said account and report will be confirmed by the Court; and also unless exceptions be filed to said distrubution statement before the first Monday of April, 1897, the same will be confirmed, and decree made by the Court for the payment of the moneys in accordance therewith.

Advertisement to be by publication of this order. BY THE COURT.

Certified from the records this 3rd day of March, 1897. W. H. HENRIE, Prothonotary.
3-4-4t.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE

—OF VALUABLE—

REAL ESTATE.

In pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, Pa., the undersigned executor of last will and testament of George Bower, late of Briarcreek township in the said county deceased, will sell at public sale on the premises on

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 1897,

at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, the following described real estate, to-wit:

No. 1. A tract of land situate in Briarcreek township, Columbia county, Pa, adjoining lands of David Kisner, David Shaffer, James Evans and others, containing

THIRTY ACRES,

and fourteen perches.

No. 2. All the right, title and interest of the said decedent in the undivided one-half of a tract of land situate in said Briarcreek township, in said county, adjoining lands of William Yohe, William Girton, Henry Martz, Ephraim Evans andothers, containing 18 acres, more or less, whereon are erected a frame

DWELLING HOUSE,

barn, and out-buildings.

No. 3. All the right, title and interest of the said decedent in the undivided one-half of a tract of land situate in said township of Briarcreek, in said county, adjoining lands of William Evans, James, Lemons, John Fester and John Doak, containing

20 ACRES,

more or less.

TERMS OF SALE. Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid at the striking down of the property, fifteen per cent. at the confirmation of sale, and the remaining three-fourths in one year from said sale, together with interest thereon from confirmation nisi. Purchaser to pay for deed. Purchaser will be required to give bond with good and approved security for the faithful payment of the purchase money according to the above conditions.

JAMES BOWER, Executor,

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SALES.

James Bower, Executor of the estate of George Bower, deceased, will sell real estate on the premises in Briarcreek township, on Thursday, April 15, 1897, at two o'clock, P. M.

FOR SALE. A good slate blackboard about 10 feet by 3 feet, suitable for school, will be sold cheap. Apply to Geo. E. Elwell, Bloomsburg, Pa. tf.

DAMAGE BY FLOOD.

Two Thousand Homeless in Mississippi.

The Levee System Succumbs to the Strain.

News from the Mississippi Valley is of the most distressing nature. The magnificent levees, upon which millions of Federal as well as State money have been expended, have succumbed to the terrible strain, and an ocean of water is rushing through and over the finest farming land this side of the Nile, carrying death and destruction in its wake.

GREENVILLE IN GREAT DANGER.

Greenville is in great danger. The water from the middle break will partially flood that town. If the levee in front of Greenville should break, the loss of life and property would be enormous.

Railroad communication has already been cut in two places and before long the Georgia Pacific road running east from Greenville may be flooded.

Probably 10,000 people are working with a desperation born of despair to save their homes and property. The whole machinery of the State and the Illinois Central Railroad is being brought into play. It is currently reported that the levee in front of Laconia Circle, Ark., has broken. If this be true, and it probably is, 30,000 acres of fertile cotton land will be flooded.

HEAVY LOSS TO THE STATE.

The breaks that have already occurred have done incalculable damage, but no loss of human life has been reported. Horses, mules and cattle have, however, been swept away. The worn-out people are still at work to prevent other breaks, and thousands line the great embankments. All business is suspended.

From Vicksburg news is to the effect that the river is higher than has been known since the war. The levees thereabouts are still holding but are weakening, and may not last through the great strain.

The State is one of the heaviest losers by the breaks already had, as the eight or ten convict farms, averaging 10,000 acres each, are even now under water, and hundreds of acres of growing corn ruined. The crisis is expected very soon all along the line.

It is estimated that fully 2,000 people are homeless and at the mercy of charity. Horses and cattle have been washed away by the thousand.

STRAY PARAGRAPHS.

Blue birds are with us.

A black board—a colored school committee.

You can contract pneumonia now without putting in bids.

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Just at present a game of base ball could be seen at Athletic Park, without climbing the fence.

The janitor has more work to do since the Commissioners ordered the front door of the Court House to be locked every night.

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THE OAKE WALK.

Davy Boughton's much talked of cake walk took place last evening in Evans' Hall. The hall was well filled with onlookers, but the contestants for the prizes in the cake walks were not as numerous as had been expected, but the twenty couple that took part furnished lots of amusement for those who paid admission, and all got the worth of their money. Davy was a little bit late in getting things started and it was nearly ten o'clock when the fun began.

The first thing on the program was the grand march, after which came the first cake walk, the winner of which was entitled to the first prize of a gold watch.

The Judges, Geo. Enterline, Chas. Reice, James Staver, W. C. Faust, John Armstrong, and E. P. Williams, took their seats, and the walk started. The judges were unable to decide as to who was the best man, and it was finally agreed to put the seven votes in a hat and the last name drawn was to win the watch. This was done, and Clarence O'Brien, of Williamsport, was the winner.

George Washington says the reason he wasn't in it was because his girl was out of town, and besides this he had to break in a new pair of slippers. The second prize, a large cake, was divided between Frank Parks of Bloomsburg and J. Baker of Danville.

Davy says he expected to see more from other towns, but won't kick, as he came out even. Rux orchestra of Williamsport furnished the music.

Just try a 10c. box of Cascarets, the finest liver and bowel regulator ever made.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common water glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. The frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists price fifty cents and one dollar. For a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, mention THE COLUMBIAN and send your full post-office address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

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HARRISBURG LETTER.

The Changes in the Legislative Districts of the State.

AGREEMENT ON THE NEW CAPITOL.

Danger of a Clash Between the Governor and the Legislature Now Removed. House Opposition to the Reform Measures—Dr. Swallow's Belligerent Attitude

(Special Correspondence.)

Harrisburg, March 30.—The governor has thus far received 12 bills, four of which he has approved. The last one he signed was an act in reference to prison officials, visitors, etc. He still has in his hands seven to which he has not attached his signature, viz.: To pay mileage of coroners viewing dead bodies; creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings in the collection thereof in the several boroughs of the state; making constables of townships ex-officio fire wardens in the extinguishment of forest fires and reporting to the courts violations of laws protecting forests, etc.; regulating standard weight of a bushel of oats; establishment of public libraries in the several school districts, excepting in cities, and the purchase of unseated lands by the commonwealth for nonpayment of taxes for the purpose of establishing a state forest reservation.

Both houses have succeeded in the dispatch of very considerable business, but the senate is much ahead of the house in their work, and in consequence of this have adjourned over until April.

The New Legislative Districts.

A bill was offered in the house a few days ago which makes a decided change in the legislative districts of the state. By the provisions of this bill the Third and Fourth wards of Philadelphia are made one district, and with 1 member, and the Fifth and Sixth wards comprise one district, with 1 member. It entitles the Seventh ward to 2 members, and the Eigth and Ninth wards are consolidated, with 1 member. The Tenth gets 1 member. The Eleventh and Twentieth are united, with 1 member. The Sixteenth and Seventeenth together are entitled to 1 member, while 4 members are given to the Nineteenth and Thirty-first wards. The Twenty-second ward gets 2 members. The Twenty-fourth and Thirty-fourth are consolidated, and get 3 members, instead of 2. The Twenty-sixth and Thirty-seventh are given 2 members. The Thirty-second ward, which was formerly in that district, is made a separate district, with 1 member. These constitute the changes in Philadelphia.

Adams county gets 1 member. Allegheny county will have 20 members. Bedford county gets 1 member, while Blair is entitled to 3 members. Cambria county is given 3, Chester 3, Clarion 1, Crawford 2, Clearfield 3, Columbia 1, Huntingdon 1, Jefferson 2, Lancaster 5, Lawrence 1, Luzerne 7, Lackawanna 5, Mercer 2, Schuylkill 5, Somerset 1 and Wayne 1, while Westmoreland gets 4. All other counties will be the same as under the present apportionment.

Among the bills that met with defeat recently, and which are not likely to be resurrected again during this session, were the anti-treating bill and the pool racing bill, both of which met their death on final passage. The latter bill, it was understood, was going to be knocked into smithereens by the house any way, and it was thought best to not give them the opportunity. The libel bill drafted by the Pennsylvania Editorial association was also practically killed in the house when it came up for second reading.

Agreement on the New Capitol Assured.

There is no doubt that an agreement will be reached in a short time between the governor and the legislature on a plan for a new capitol, and the structure will be on about the same economic lines as recommended by the executive in his message. This is about what was agreed upon by the committees on public buildings and grounds of the house and senate, who had a conference with the governor of about two hours' duration, and the plans were received as to the grouping of the various buildings in architectural effect, of which there will be four in all. This will include the executive building. The style adopted will in all probability be the rennaissance, which will include a slight touch of the colonial, the object being to improve on the old state house.

The governor, in his statement before the committee, remarked that the contract should be let Aug. 1, the building completed by Nov. 1, 1898, and if the work is not done in that time he would take all the blame. He also stated that his estimate of the expense for the erection of the new building at the cost of $550,000 was based on the fact that the lighting, heating and sewerage were provided for, and that about 2,500,000 brick were in the old building that could be used. He also stated that the amount he named is not intended to cover the interior decorations, and that the walls would not be in a condition to ornament when the next legislature meets, and this cost would be extra, and must be provided for by appropriation. This estimate also does not include the furnishings, so that by the time the building was completed the total cost would aggregate about $1,000,000. There seemed to be a very satisfactory feeling among the members composing the committee, and it is now certain that any danger of a clash between the governor and legislature has been removed.

Opposition to the Reform Measures.

The house does not seem to take kindly to the reform measures, as was evidenced by the way they cut and slashed until they could be scarcely recognized, and eventually passed the Stewart bill, which is one of the reform bills for Philadelphia, after adding several amendments, which greatly changes its character. The bill requiring state depositories to pay interest on state funds passed second reading, but not until after a dozen amendments were offered and defeated. Two amendments, however, prevailed in the end. They were a clause providing that the bond to be furnished by banks having state deposits shall have approved securities, with warrant of attorney to confess judgment in favor of the commonwealth, and a clause which states that banks known as active depositories shall pay 1½ per cent interest per annum on the daily balances. By this latter amendment the state will derive, should it become a law, interest on $1,500,000 at 1½ per cent. The Quay county bill, which was vetoed by the governor two years ago, has again been offered in the house, and has been so amended that its friend now believe it will meet with executive approval. It creates a new county out of portions of Luzerne and Schuylkill, with Hazleton as the county seat.

Many other bills were introduced in both the senate and house during the past week, and there is now so many to dispose of that a resolution has passed both houses that no more bills shall be introduced after April 5 except by permission of either house. It will be practically an impossibility for the house to dispose of what they have now on hand, as a resolution has been adopted that a holiday be taken during a portion of the week in which the monument to General Grant is dedicated in New York city. This means that little work will be accomplished during that week.

The School Supply Scheme.

One of the most systematic and well planned schemes, which is attributed to an organization of school supply houses, that has been devised in years has developed recently, and if not frustrated will permit of the lavish and useless purchase of materials for ungraded schools by conscienceless directors and supply committees. The plan is to send out thousands of circulars, worked off in imitation of typewriting, to secure signatures, and when signed are to be sent to the members of the house and senate. The way in which they are being scattered and their uniform character leave little doubt as to their origin. These are so worded as to effect, if possible, a spirit of prejudice in the minds of those into whose hands they come, as they assail house bill No. 136, introduced by Mr. Weiss, of Northampton county, which is a most valuable measure and intended to curb school extravagance. It places restrictions on the school boards in the rural sections, and does not affect school boards in cities or boroughs.

The circulars contain a specious plea, the city against the country, and are very well calculated to secure signatures. The bill which they are trying to have killed provides that the sum to be expended hereafter by school directors in rural districts in providing maps, charts and such apparatus shall not exceed $15 of the amount appropriated by the state. This bill seeks to remedy one great evil, and that is the reckless expenditure of money in school apparatus which prevails, and the organized interests which supply these equipments find a fertile field in the country districts. This is a very important measure, and should be allowed to become a law. The scheme has been so thoroughly investigated that the result will be that the bill will pass by a very large majority.

Dr. Swallow's Belligerency.

Although Dr. Swallow met with defeat in his last trial, and was convicted of libel, yet he persists in keeping up the fight. His letter addressed to Governor Hastings indicates that he is defiant and determined to continue the fight. His next experience will be before the bar of the senate, before which body he has been cited to appear when they convene again to give information, if he has any, as to the origin of the capitol fire. There is some curiosity manifested as to the outcome of this trial, and if he has evidence of any importance it will then be brought out. The senate has shown a disposition to treat him with every respect, but if he has evidence that is valuable to their committee in their work of investigation he is in duty bound to give it. Strange to say, while he is not popular here, he has many followers in his movement. He is determined to have a new trial, and if he fails in this will take his case to the superior court, and if the result is not satisfactory there will then go to the supreme court. A circular letter which is being introduced setting forth that he is not alone in this contest, and soliciting funds to assist in the fight, would indicate that he has assistance. The judge has taken ten days in which to give an answer as to whether a new trial will be granted.

The report of the committee appointed to investigate the auditor general's and state treasurer's offices was presented recently. They find that both offices have been properly conducted, and some recommendations are made as to the auditor general's office, and that is that an additional force be added to assist in the work of this department, which is growing in keeping with the growth and development of the state. They report that during a period of 56 years, in which time $416,974,961.73 was received by the state, it has only suffered a loss of $9,432.61 out of $407,131,131.68, making the percentage of loss the small fractional sum of .00023 of 1 per cent, a remarkable showing indeed.

The Philadelphia Capitol Bill.

The bill to make Philadelphia the state capital was recommitted, and no doubt a special occasion will be made to perform the obsequies and carry its little body out to the tomb.

Representative Voorhees, a member of the house committee on law and order, explains why he and his fellow members have reported out for a place on the calendar Mr. Seyfert's bill against pugilistic contests. "It goes to extremes," says Mr. Voorhees, "as it would render liable to the penalty for murder such persons as those whose fists recently caused the death of two sparrers in Philadelphia. Admitting that there should be increased restrictions upon such contests, we think this bill should be ventilated in the house, there to meet the fate to which such foolish legislation as the bills against the theater hat, football and cigarettes have been doomed."

A duplicate of the retaliatory insurance bill introduced by Representative Voorhees in the house was presented by Mr. Durham in the senate, and is on second reading there. Agents of foreign insurance companies are watching its progress, presumably with adverse purposes, as it would require the insurance commissioner to retaliate against states whose representatives refuse to license Pennsylvania companies.

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